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## RULES OF ORDER.

1. AFTER the usual opening religious exercises, the Secretary shall read the Minutes of the previous session.

2. No motion shall be entertained by the Conference till such motion

shall have been seconded.

3. All motions shall be reduced to writing, if desired by any member of the Conference.

4. Every member desiring to speak on any subject before the Conference, shall rise and address the President.

5. The member who first rises and addresses the President shall be entitled to the floor.

6. No member shall speak more than once on the same subject till all who may desire to speak shall have spoken; nor more than fifteen minutes at a time, without leave of the Conference.

7. All questions of order shall be decided by the President, subject to

an appeal to the Conference, without debate.

8. When any question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone, to commit, or to amend; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order; and this, as well as a motion to lay on the table, shall be decided without debate.

9. If the question before the Conference be capable of division, upon

the call of any member, such question shall be divided.

10. The business of the Conference shall be conducted with open doors, unless otherwise ordered by the Conference.

11. Any question may be reconsidered, on the motion of any member

who may have voted with the majority.

12. If any member call for the previous question, and such call shall be sanctioned by a two-thirds vote of the Conference, the main question shall then be put.

13. Each committee of the Conference shall choose its own chairman, unless the chairman be designated by the Conference or the President in

the appointment of the committee.

- 14. The members of the Conference shall assemble in the Conference-room punctually at the hour to which the Conference adjourned, and no member shall absent himself from the place of Conference session without leave of absence.
- 15. In all practicable cases, when charges are preferred against a member of Conference, notice shall be given to the President on the first day of the session, that, if it be judged proper, his name may be called, and the case referred to a committee.

16. No member of Conference shall be subject to arrest of character without having been timely furnished, wherever practicable, with a written copy of the charges and specifications against him.

17. The vote on any question shall be taken by ayes and noes, upon

the call of fifteen members.

## Abstract of the Daily Journal.

### FIRST DAY.

WILMINGTON, O., Wednesday, August 26, 1874.

THE CINCINNATI ANNUAL CONFERENCE of the Methodist Episcopal Church began its Twenty-third Session in the Methodist Episcopal church at Wilmington, Ohio, this morning, at nine o'clock; Bishop R. S. Foster presiding, Bishop E. R. Ames also being present.

The first Psalm, and a portion of the fifth chapter of Matthew, were read by the Rev. Dr. G. C. Crum; after which, the first hymn was announced and sung, and Rev. Wm. Young led the devotions of the Conference in prayer.

The sacrament of our Lord's-supper was then administered to the ministry and laity present.

The Bishop then, with much emotion, and in a deeply impressive manner, addressed the Conference, within whose bounds, in connection with the Ohio Conference, he began his ministry, thirty-seven years ago.

The Secretary of the last session called the roll of the Conference, and one hundred and twenty members answered to their names.

W. H. Sutherland was re-elected Secretary; D. J. Starr, Assistant Secretary; A. M. Griffith, Recording Secretary; F. G. Mitchell, Statistical Secretary; R. E. Smith, Assistant Statistical Secretary; and W. J. Quarry, Secretary of Railroad Passes.

Wm. Herr offered a resolution tendering to Bishop Foster cordial welcome as a fellow-laborer, and as now the President of this Conference, which was presented by Bishop Ames, and adopted by a rising vote of the Conference. The Bishop expressed his appreciation of the sentiments contained in the paper.

H. M. Keck, F. M. Clemens, T. Lee, S. Scott, and T. W. Peak were recognized as reporters for the daily secular press.

On motion, the presiding elders were appointed a Nominating Committee in the constitution of the regular committees of Conference.

On motion, the Rules of Order of the last session were adopted.

On motion, it was agreed that the daily sessions should open at eight o'clock, and close at a quarter before twelve o'clock, A. M.; the first forty-five minutes being for devotional services.

A draft on the Chartered Fund, for \$35, was ordered.

The Standing Committees, of one or more from each district, were constituted as follows:

On Missions—The Presiding Elders.

On Education-R. S. Rust, T. J. Harris, M. Dustin, W. I. Ellsworth, T. S. Cowden, S. Weeks, Wm. Young, J. M'D. Mathews, L. H. Bugbee, Wm. Smith, L. D. M'Cabe, Wm. Herr, Lucien Clark, C. W. Ketcham, J. P. Porter, and T. Collett.

On Temperance-J. F. Loyd, S. B. Smith, T. A. Stevens, A. W. Tib-

bits, E. M. Cole, and W. J. Quarry.

On Parsonages-W. I. Fee, R. Vickers, J. B. Ellsworth, A. U. Beall,

J. M'K. Shultz, and W. T. M'Mullen.

On Church Statistics-S. N. Marsh, John Irvin, C. J. Wells, J. M. Robinson, R. E. Smith, and L. M. Davis.

On Periodicals-D. H. Moore, A. B. Leonard, T. Collett, L. Clark,

D. L. Hayward, and H. M. Keck.

The same were appointed the Committee on the Book Concern Accounts.

On Post-offices-G. W. Kelley, J. W. Sutherland, W. N. Brodbeck, E. Burdsall, J. H. Middleton, and M. P. Zink.

On New York Accounts—J. Verity. On American Bible Society—J. M. Walden, R. K. Deem, J. G. Black, C. W. Ketcham, S. W. Edmiston, J. S. Whitney.

On Tract Cause—E. T. Wells, E. M'Hugh, F. M. Clemens, Geo. H. Dart, C. F. Gowdy, W. M. Boyer.

On Sunday-school Cause-M. Kauffman, C. H. Wolff, J. W. Cassatt, J. Chambers, J. T. Bail, H. E. Parrott, C. Kalbfus, E. C. Middleton, J. R. Hunter, Martin Redkey, G. T. Weaver, Wm. Hanna, and J. E. Gilbert.

On Freedmen's Aid Society-A. Bowers, J. Kendall, S. A. Brewster,

Wm. Fitzgerald, J. C. Boltin, and J. P. Porter.

On Finance-J. E. Gilbert, J. F. Larkin, C. Ferguson, H. DeCamp, M. A. Richards, H. Elliott, G. C. Crum, E. G. Dial, F. Mitchell, S.

Hitchcock, E. C. Smith, Wm. M'Nutt, S. Weeks.

Conference Stewards—H. C. Middleton, J. C. Brooke, W. Q. Shannon, J. Cochnower, W. N. Williams, H. E. Parrott, G. H. Dart, S. F. Conrey, E. C. Middleton, G. M. Edgar, J. Sayler, S. Weeks, and B. Sells.

On Printing Conference Minutes-D. J. Starr, D. H. Moore, S. B.

Smith, and T. Lee.

On Church Extension-W. L. Hypes, J. F. Hull, C. H. Lawton, J.

Vance, J. C. Ambrose, W. E. Hines, and J. Wilson.

On the Observance of the Sabbath-J. F. Marlay, J. C. Brooke, W. A. Robinson, T. A. Stevens, T. D. W. Peak, H. E. Parrott, J. P. Shultz, P. P. Mast, J. M'D. Mathews, J. G. Grove, H. Miller, D. M'Colm, M. G. Baker, and N. M'Donald.

Conference Postmaster—C. H. Kalbfus.

On Memoirs—J. F. Marlay, S. Bennett, S. B. Smith, W. E. Hines, W. Fitzgerald, M. Dustin, S. W. Carey, and W. T. M'Mullen.

The following were appointed a Special Committee on Camp-meetings, raised on the motion of G. Moody:

J. F. Chalfant, J. C. Brooke, R. K. Deem, J. F. Forbus, J. W. Weakley, M. P. Gaddis, W. Coles, T. S. Cowden, M. Redkey, N. Prince, and J. M'Colm.

Niells M. Sandall, Charles Augustus Stenholm, and Charles John Johanson, of the Methodist Episcopal Mission in Sweden, and members of the Central Illinois Conference, were elected to deacon's orders, to be ordained by Bishop Harris, now in Europe.

C. P. Rind, Peter Olsen, Anders Olsen, and J. J. Christensen, of the Methodist Episcopal Missions in Norway, and members of the Central Illinois Conference, were elected to elder's orders, they also to be ordained by Bishop Harris.

The New York accounts were referred to the Committee on that subject.

The apportionment of the assessment on the Conference for the support of bishops was referred to the presiding elders.

A portion of the Report of the Book Concern was read, and Dr. Walden presented a statement in reference to the Western Book Concern.

Conference adjourned with the Doxology, J. C. Bontecou pronouncing the benediction.

## SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY MORNING, August 27, 1874.

CONFERENCE opened, at eight o'clock, with a prayer-meeting conducted by Rev. T. Collett. At its close, Bishop Foster took the chair, and the Journal of yesterday was approved.

The roll of absentees of yesterday was called, and eleven responded to their names.

Drs. C. H. Payne, Thos. H. Pearne, and L. F. Van Cleve were introduced, and their transfer to the Cincinnati Conference announced by the Bishop. Dr. Dashiell, Missionary Secretary, and brother Davis, of the Ohio Conference, were also presented to the Conference.

J. M. Walden made explanations of the business operations of the Western Book Concern before the Conference.

Leave of absence was granted S. F. Conrey, on account of sickness in his family.

M. A. Richards was added to the Committee on Church Extension, and appointed treasurer of its funds.

The Eighth Question, "Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?" was taken up.

Proper representations having been made of their respective cases, the relations of M. J. Cramer, M. P. Gaddis, and J. S. Peregrine were continued, without appointment.

D. Warnock was given a superannuated relation, and the fixing of W. H. Lawder's relation was deferred.

Bishop Ames took the chair, at the request of Bishop Foster, and the Ninth Question, "Who are the Superannuated Preachers?" was taken up.

The relations of J. Barton, J. C. Maddy, W. N. Maxey, R. A. Brandriff, John W. Stone, W. I. Ellsworth, B. Glasscock, S. Brown, J. A. Reeder, J. L. Grover, D. Callahan, A. Murphy, E. H. Field, P. A. Ogden, J. C. Bontecou, W. Routledge, N. C. Parrish, N. Callender, T. A. G. Phillips, W. Webster, and D. Kemper were continued.

The collection ordered and taken by the Conference for W. Routledge amounted to \$66.33, and Dr. Chalfant was appointed to take charge of it, and all other moneys of Conference for this purpose, and to take any legal steps thought to be necessary for the good of the family, in his oversight of it.

The collection taken for N. Callender amounted to \$52.15, of which W. Herr was requested to take charge, for the family.

A paper relating to the financial necessities of T. A. G. Phillips was read, and referred to the Stewards and Preachers' Relief Society.

On motion of S. D. Clayton, a Committee, consisting of R. S. Rust, W. B. Moler, C. Kalbfus, S. A. Brewster, and J. W. Cassatt, was appointed to inquire into complaints against R. A. Arthur, and report to Conference.

A communication from Bishop Morris was read to the Conference, and referred to a Committee, consisting of J. F. Wright, E. H. Field, M. Dustin, and J. F. Marlay, to report to the Conference a suitable response.

Bishop Foster resumed the chair.

T. S. Cowden was appointed to receive subscriptions for Hillsboro College.

Documents from the Ohio University were received, and referred to the Committee on Education. The Fourth Question, "Who are admitted into full connection?" was taken up.

Jos. Acomb's case was considered; after which, he was discontinued.

On motion, the preachers who have been in charge were instructed to report the amounts collected in their fields for Missions, Superannuates, Church Extension, Bishops, and Freedmen's Aid Society.

- J. W. Sutherland, J. T. Short, W. N. Brodbeck, and J. C. Boltin, having reported their collections, and having been favorably represented by their presiding elders and examiners, were admitted, and elected to deacon's orders.
- J. N. Irvin and J. C. Ambrose, having reported their collections, and been favorably represented by their elders and examiners, were received into the Conference, they having been already ordained.
- W. H. Smith reported his collections, and was represented by his examiners; after which, his case, and those of Daniel L. Aultman and David V. Ross, were laid over.
- W. F. Mappin and D. D. Cheney were introduced to the Conference. The Seventh Question, "Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?" was taken up.
- D. D. Cheney, Wm. M. Boyer, J. S. Whitney, and E. Burdsall, having been favorably represented by their presiding elders and examiners—those in charge having reported their collections—were elected to elder's orders.

Conference adjourned, with the benediction by M. P. Gaddis.

## THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY MORNING, August 28, 1874.

Conference opened with a prayer-meeting, conducted by the Rev. J. C. Bontecou. At a quarter before nine o'clock, Bishop Foster took the chair. The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Complaint was made against S. W. Edmiston; and, on motion, a Committee was appointed to inquire into his case, consisting of G. W. Kelley, S. B. Smith, N. Prince, J. M. Robinson, S. Bennett, and M. Kauffman.

A. Lowrey moved that Sister Rapp's name be placed on the list of Conference claimants; and the subject was referred to a Committee consisting of L. F. Van Cleve, W. L. Hypes, and W. Herr.

A. Bowers offered a resolution requesting the publication of the sermon of Dr. Wentworth, delivered yesterday; which was adopted.

The Fourth Question, "Who are admitted into full connection?" was resumed.

The case of W. H. Smith was called. The Examining Committee and presiding elders reported, and his case was referred to a special Committee, consisting of J. C. Bontecou, J. Kendall, and Wm. Young.

D. L. Aultman was represented by his presiding elder and examiners and, at his own request, was continued on trial.

David V. Ross was discontinued. Wm. F. Mappin was received into full connection, and elected to deacon's orders.

J. N. Irvin, a deacon of two years' standing, was elected to elder's orders.

F. Hypes reported from the examiners in the cases of H. Miller and W. Mahon, and these brethren were relieved from further examinations.

The Seventh Question, "Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?" was taken up. E. C. Smith's name was called, and he reported his collections, having been previously ordained.

The Stewards made their preliminary report.

An interesting communication from brother P. A. Ogden was read to the Conference.

Dr. Bugbee read a paper relating to Education, which was referred to the Committee on that subject.

On motion, it was ordered that all papers relating to the various Church interests be referred to the respective committees, without presentation to the Conference.

Rev. Dr. Dashiell, Secretary of the Missionary Society, was introduced, and addressed the Conference in relation to the great missionary cause. Dr. E. Wentworth also spoke briefly on the same interests.

Dr. Rust, T. S. Cowden, and L. F. Van Cleve were appointed to collect the subscriptions due to Hillsboro College from the brethren who have not paid.

The Tenth Question, "Was the character of each Preacher examined?" was taken up. J. F. Chalfant represented the East Cincinnati District; and his character, and those of the preachers in his district, were passed, those in charge reporting their collections.

Brothers King, Drake, and Adams, of the Ohio Conference, were introduced.

Conference closed, with the benediction by L. F. Van Cleve.

### FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY MORNING, August 29, 1874.

CONFERENCE opened at eight o'clock, with a prayer-meeting conducted by Rev. J. B. Ellsworth. At twenty minutes before nine o'clock, Bishop Foster entered, and led in prayer the devotions of the Conference. The Journal of yesterday was approved.

The report of the Special Committee in the case of W. H. Smith, acquitting him of certain allegations, was presented and adopted, and his character passed. The Examining Committee also reported in his case, and he was admitted into full connection, and elected to deacon's orders.

Calls were made for recommendations for local orders. W. H. S. Ewell, F. A. M'Cormack, Benj. F. Dimmick, A. N. Curt, Benj. F. January, Jacob Johnston, John W. Gaddis, and John F. Rapp, were duly represented, and they were elected to deacon's orders.

Calls were made for recommendations for local elder's orders. Benjamin F. Garland, Jacob S. Hopkins, Israel H. De Bruin, and M. H. Cherry were represented, and elected to elder's orders.

On motion of M. P. Gaddis, Rev. Geo. W. Parrott, who was located last year, was readmitted, and he was placed on the supernumerary list.

The Tenth Question was resumed, and A. Lowrey represented the West Cincinnati District; and his character, and the characters of the preachers in his district, were passed, those in charge having reported their collections.

The Second Question, "Who are admitted on trial?" was taken up. J. Howard Phillips, from Lancaster District, in the Ohio Conference, was represented, and he was admitted.

The class recommended for reception into full connection came forward, and were searchingly and instructively addressed by Bishop Foster, and satisfactorily answered the disciplinary questions and those presented by the Conference.

The Stewards presented their revised report; and, on motion, they were instructed to pay the bill presented for Secretary's necessary expenses.

L. F. Van Cleve, from the Committee appointed to consider the claims of Mrs. Rapp, reported against placing her name on the list of Conference claimants, for legal reasons; but expressing the highest regards for Sister Rapp, and favoring the taking of a collection for her benefit. The report was adopted, and a collection taken, amounting to \$36.46, and placed in the hands of W. Herr.

- A. Bowers was elected Secretary, and T. Collett President, of the Missionary Society, and they were authorized to sign certificates for the two past years.
- J. M. Walden called attention to the provision in the Discipline requiring the appointment of a person to preach a National Centennial Sermon at the Conference to be held in 1876; and, on motion, the Cabinet was requested to designate such preacher and an alternate.

The Conference committees on the different subjects were requested to present the names of persons to be elected officers of the Conference societies.

On motion of J. F. Marlay, a Committee of Seven was ordered to nominate persons to serve on the standing committees at the ensuing session of the Conference. The Cabinet was empowered to nominate the persons of whom it should be composed.

Dr. Lowrey presented a request, asking the Conference to grant him a supernumerary relation, assigning his reasons therefor.

On motion, the request was granted, by a rising vote of the Conference-A telegram was received by Bishop Foster, announcing the death of the beloved wife of Dr. J. Miley. The sad intelligence was deeply affecting to the Conference, and a season of prayer was observed, in which Dr. Moody led the devotions of the Conference.

Conference adjourned, with the benediction by Father Field.

## FIFTH DAY.

Monday Morning, August 31, 1874.

Conference opened at eight o'clock, with the usual religious services, conducted by M. P. Gaddis. At the usual time, the Bishop took the chair. The Journal of Saturday's session was approved.

Win. Herr presented a paper relating to the death of the wife of the Rev. Dr. John Miley, which was adopted by a rising vote.

J. F. Marlay, from the Committee appointed to respond to the communication of Bishop Morris to the Conference, read the response prepared, which was adopted by a rising vote, and ordered to be published in the Western Christian Advocate, as was also the correspondence of Bishop Morris.

A collection was taken for T. A. G. Phillips, amounting to \$42.55. The Committee in the case of R. A. Arthur presented their report,

finding no cause for charges against him. The report was adopted, and his character passed. On motion, he was continued in a superannuated relation.

- J. W. Weakley represented the Dayton District; and his character, and those of the preachers in his district, were passed, the usual collections being reported.
- J. C. Deem was granted a superannuated relation, and a collection was taken for him, amounting to \$84.25.

On motion, permission was given to the Quarterly Conference of Lexington Circuit to sell a portion of the unused lot of Wayne Chapel, and reinvest the proceeds.

Permission was also given to the Quarterly Conference of Miami Circuit to sell their parsonage, and reinvest the proceeds.

- W. H. Sutherland offered a paper respecting the change of the Conference relations of A. Lowrey, which was adopted by a rising vote.
- W. Young, Treasurer of the Preachers' Relief Society, announced that he had just received from Dr. Lowrey a donation of one hundred dollars for that cause, as a memorial offering; and during the year a like donation from E. H. Field, of fifty dollars.

A Meharry, Presiding Elder of the Springfield District, represented his work; and his character, and the characters of the preachers in his district, were passed, those in charge reporting their collections.

- D. H. Sargent was granted a superannuated relation.
- S. D. Clayton represented Hillsboro District; and his character, and those of the preachers of his district, were passed, those in charge reporting their collections.

On motion, it was agreed that there should be held an afternoon session, beginning at two o'clock; the memorial services to take place at three o'clock.

G. Moody, Presiding Elder, represented the Ripley District; and his character, and the characters of the preachers in his district, were passed, those in charge having reported their collections.

Rev. Dr. W. X. Ninde, of the Garrett Biblical Institute, addressed the Conference in behalf of that institution. R. S. Rust presented the report of the Committee on Subscriptions to the Hillsboro College, which was adopted.

The Committee in the case of S. W. Edmiston presented their report, containing an admonition, but finding no cause for charges against him. The report was adopted, and his character passed.

Conference adjourned, with the benediction by Rev. Dr. Ninde.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Monday Afternoon, August 31, 1874.

Conference met, pursuant to adjournment, at two o'clock; Bishop Foster in the chair. The opening religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Dr. R. M. Hatfield, special reference being had to the illness of Bishop Janes, which Bishop Foster announced as being very serious; and to the death of Mrs. Durbin, wife of our venerable ex-missionary secretary.

The Journal of the morning's session was approved.

N. M'Donald was granted a superannuated relation.

Conference granted permission to the Quarterly Conference of Feesburg Circuit to sell the property at Benton; of Felicity, to sell the parsonage; of Amelia Circuit, to sell the old church at Union Chapel; of Butlerville, to sell the church at Rossville; of Clarksville Circuit, to sell property at Martinsville; of Winchester Circuit, to sell property at Russellville; and of Lockland, to sell their old church and parsonage.

The Sixth Question, "Who are the Deacons of the second class?" was resumed, and the characters of Lucien M. Davis, James E. Gilbert, Charles J. Wells, Lafayette Young, Daniel L. Hayward, and C. H. Kalbfus, were

passed, those in charge having reported their collections.

On motion of S. D. Clayton, Conference proceeded to fix the place of its next session. Trinity Church, of Cincinnati, and Troy, Ohio, were put in nomination, and, by vote of Conference, Cincinnati was selected.

On motion of J. W. Weakley, A. Meharry was granted a superannuated relation.

The time for the memorial services having arrived, Rev. M. P. Gaddis announced the hymn beginning, "Why should our tears in sorrow flow?" and led the devotions of the Conference in prayer.

The Memoir of Rev. William Simmons was read by Rev. J. F. Marlay. Appreciative and very touching remarks were made by Bishop Foster, John F. Wright, and J. C. Bontecou; after which, the memoir was approved.

W. E. Hines read the Memoir of Rev. James Armstrong, which, after remarks by Dr. Moody and J. J. Hill, was approved.

S. B. Smith read the Memoir of Rev. Joshua Boucher, which, after remarks by Dr. Moody and Bishop Foster, his former colleagues, was approved.

S. Bennett read the Memoir of Rev. H. M. Curry, which, after remarks by Rev. W. H. Black and A. Meharry, was approved.

M. Dustin read the Memoir of Mrs. Dorothea Phillips, which was approved.

The Memoir of Mrs. Sarah Jane Nation was read by W. Fitzgerald, and approved.

Those members of the Committee on Memoirs who have presented sketches of deceased preachers were instructed to prepare duplicate copies for the General Minutes.

It was resolved to dispense with the prayer-meeting to-morrow morning, with a view of closing the business of the Conference by noon.

The appointment of the old Board of Conference Trustees was confirmed.

Judge E. G. Dial was appointed to look after the interests of the Church in the will of the late Jane Hodge, which contains a bequest for the Missionary Society.

The officers of the Ladies' and Pastors' Christian Union were elected.

The report of the Committee on the Tract Cause was adopted, and the officers were elected.

J. T. Bail, L. Clark, and S. B. Smith were appointed to obtain subscriptions for the Conference Minutes.

The Treasurers of the various Conference Societies were instructed to retain sufficient funds to pay the expense of publishing their reports in the Minutes, as per last year.

On motion, Bishop Foster was requested to appoint the Triers of Appeals. The following were appointed: W. Herr, W. I. Ellsworth, M. Dustin, L. F. Van Cleve, Wm. Young, A. W. Tibbits, and D. Kemper.

The report of the Committee on Missions was read by J. F. Chalfant, and adopted by the Conference.

Conference adjourned, with the benediction by R. S. Rust.

## SIXTH DAY.

Tuesday Morning, September 1, 1874.

Conference opened at eight o'clock, the religious services being conducted by M. Kauffman; Bishop Foster in the chair. The Journal of yesterday afternoon was approved.

A. Bowers presented the report of the Committee on the Freedmen's Aid Society. Adopted.

D. C. Vance presented his report as Treasurer of the Conference Tract Society. Adopted.

- D. H. Moore read the report of the Committee on Periodicals, which was amended and adopted.
- J. F. Marlay read the report of the Committee on the Observance of the Sabbath. Adopted.
- C. W. Ketcham presented the report of the Committee on Education. The item relating to the Springfield College was read. L. Clark offered a substitute for the item, and Judge E. G. Dial, having been invited, addressed the Conference in relation thereto. After further discussion by J. F. Chalfant and others, the substitute failed, and the report relating to Springfield College was adopted. The subsequent items relating to the Hillsboro, Xenia, and Cincinnati Colleges, and the Ohio Wesleyan University and Garrett Biblical Institute, were adopted; and the report, as a whole, was adopted.
- M. A. Richards presented a paper relating to the Garrett Biblical Institute, which, together with papers relating to the Ohio Wesleyan University, presented by S. B. Smith, were placed on file.

The Treasurer's Report of the Church Extension Society was presented, and accepted.

The report of the Committee on Finance was accepted.

The report of the Committee on Parsonages was adopted.

- S. B. Smith presented the summaries of the collections for the Sunday-school Union, by districts, which was accepted.
- A. B. Leonard presented a paper numerously signed, relating to campmeetings, which was amended by a motion of G. Moody and J. W. Weakley, and adopted.

Resolutions offered by the Sunday-school Committee were adopted, and the officers of the Union were elected.

The report on Temperance was adopted, the resolutions having been read.

A. Lowrey offered resolutions relating to Rev. R. L. Vickers, which were adopted, and he was given a location. (See Resolutions.)

A resolution requesting the Bishop to appoint T. Lee to the Cincinnati Bethel, was adopted.

The Bishop announced the transfer of T. S. Cowden to the Kentucky Conference, of J. Kendall to the Ohio Conference, and of Francis S. Davis from the Ohio to the Cincinnati Conference.

Resolutions respecting the transfer of J. Kendall, T. S. Cowden, and R. M. Hatfield were adopted. (See Resolutions.)

A collection was taken for the sexton, amounting to \$19.19.

The report on the Church Extension Society was passed to the Secretary for publication, as also was the report of moneys collected for Bishops.

The report on the Bible Cause was adopted.

The names of the examiners, officers of the Church Extension Society, and the occasional preachers, were reported.

The names of the Committee to nominate members of the standing committees of next year were presented, and they were elected as follows: W. I. Fee, G. C. Crum, S. Weeks, L. Clark, M. Dustin, and S. B. Smith.

Resolutions of thanks were adopted expressing the gratitude of Conference to the citizens and Churches of Wilmington and vicinity for the very generous kindness shown to the body and its members and visitors. Also to railroads. (See Resolutions.)

J. F. Conrey was elected Treasurer of the Conference Missionary Society.

W. I. Fee was elected Treasurer of the Educational Society.

On motion, the correspondence of W. Herr, Fraternal Delegate to the Miami Conference, United Brethren Church, and the response of that body, were received, and ordered to be published in the Western Christian Advocate. M. Kauffman was appointed fraternal delegate to the same body for the ensuing year.

Dr. Walden was appointed to arrange with the railroad companies for rates of passage for members of Conference next year.

The Statistical Secretary reported the summaries of statistics.

W. H. Sutherland, D. J. Starr, and W. Fitzgerald were appointed a Committee to relieve the Conference trunk of unnecessary papers.

Dr. Chalfant was authorized, by Bishop Foster, to call the presiding elders together, to apportion the Conference collections.

The Second Question, "Who are admitted on trial?" was taken up, and, after being duly recommended by their presiding elders and examining committees, the following were received: Delos R. Baker, G. M. Hammel, W. J. Baker, John H. Davis, John A. Easton, John W. Gaddis, and Jas. F. M'Colm.

The bishop addressed the Conference in relation to the interests of the Church within its bounds.

The Stewards presented their final report, which was adopted, and the funds distributed. The Steward's resolutions of last year were adopted.

A resolution respecting the presidency of Bishop Foster was adopted by a rising vote.

On motion, Conference adjourned; and Bishop Foster announced the Appointments, and pronounced the benediction.

## Disciplinary Questions.

QUESTION 1. Have any entered this Conference by transfer or readmission?

Answer. C. H. Payne, T. H. Pearne, D. D. Cheney, L. F. Van Cleve, F. S. Davis, W. F. Mappin, by transfer; G. W. Parrott, by readmission.

QUESTION 2. Who are admitted on trial?

Answer. Delos R. Baker, G. M. Hammel, W. J. Baker, John H. Davis, John A. Easton, John W. Gaddis, James F. M'Colm. J. H. Phillips was admitted, and transferred.

QUESTION 3. Who remain on trial?

ANSWER. Daniel L. Aultman.

QUESTION 4. Who are admitted into full connection?

Answer. J. W. Sutherland, J. N. Irvin, J. T. Short, W. N. Brodbeck, John C. Ambrose, Jos. C. Boltin, W. H. Smith, W. F. Mappin.

QUESTION 5. Who are the Deacons of the first class?

Answer. J. W. Sutherland, J. T. Short, W. N. Brodbeck, Jos. C. Boltin, W. H. Smith, W. F. Mappin, J. W. Gaddis.

QUESTION 6. Who are the Deacons of the second class?

Answer. Lucien M. Davis, Charles J. Wells, Lafayette Young, Daniel L. Hayward, Charles H. Kalbfus, John C. Ambrose.

QUESTION 7. Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?

Answer. D. D. Cheney, Willis M. Boyer, James S. Whitney, E. Burdsall, John N. Irvin.

QUESTION 8. Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?

Answer. M. P. Gaddis, W. H. Lawder, J. S. Peregrine, M. J. Cramer, A. Lowrey, G. W. Parrott.

QUESTION 9. Who are the Superannuated Preachers?

Answer. J. C. Maddy, W. N. Maxey, John Barton, J. W. Stone, B. Glasscock, D. Callahan, A. Murphy, E. H. Field, W. Routledge, P. A. Ogden, S. Brown, T. A. G. Phillips, R. Brandriff, N. Callender, D. Kemper, J. C. Bontecou, W. Webster, Jos. A. Reeder, M. G. Purkhiser, W. I. Ellsworth, R. A. Arthur, N. C. Parrish, Jas. L. Grover, N. M'Donald, A. Meharry, J. C. Deem, D. H. Sargent, D. Warnock.

QUESTION 10. Was the character of each Preacher examined?

ANSWER. It was.

QUESTION 11. Have any located?

Answer. Robert L. Vickers, with his own consent.

QUESTION 12. Have any withdrawn?

ANSWER. None.

QUESTION 13. Have any been transferred?

ANSWER. R. M. Hatfield, to the Philadelphia Conference; T. S. Cowden, to the Kentucky Conference; J. Kendall, to the Ohio Conference; and J. H. Phillips, to the Minnesota Conference.

QUESTION 14. Have any been expelled?

ANSWER. None.

QUESTION 15. Who have died?

Answer. W. Simmons, J. Boucher, J. Armstrong, H. M. Curry. (See Memoirs.)

QUESTION 16. What is the Statistical Report?

ANSWER. (See Report.)

QUESTION 17. What are the claims upon the Conference Funds?

ANSWER. (See Stewards' Report.)

QUESTION 18. What has been received on the foregoing claims, and how has it been applied?

Answer. (See Stewards' Report.)

QUESTION 19. Have any Local Preachers been ordained?

Answer. W. H. S. Ewell, Francis A. M'Cormack, Benjamin F. Dimmick, Abner N. Curt, Jacob Johnston, John F. Rapp, and Benjamin F. January were ordained deacons; and Benjamin F. Garland, Jacob S Hopkins, Israel H. De Bruin, and Matthias H. Cherry were ordained elders.

QUESTION 20. Are any Literary or Theological Institutions under the control and patronage of this Conference, and what is their condition?

Answer. (See Report on Education.)

QUESTION 21. Who are the Conference Board of Church Extension?

Answer. (See Officers of Conference Societies.)

QUESTION 22. Where and when shall the next Conference be held?

ANSWER. In Trinity Church, Cincinnati. Time to be fixed by the Bishops.

### III.

## Resolutions of Conference.

#### Of Respect to Bishop Foster.

Whereas, Bishop Foster began his natural life in the West, and entered upon his ministerial career within what is now the Ohio and Cincinnati Conferences; and whereas, the venerable man who received him into the Church was a member of our Conference, and has just died; and whereas, some of us cherish pleasant recollections of his early manhood, co-labor, and companionship; and whereas, he now appears among us, for the first time, to administer the affairs of our Conference; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we do hereby welcome him back among us, and to the scenes of his former service.

2. That we do and shall most cordially welcome him, as a man, a minister, and superintendent, to our hearts and homes, and pulpits and Conference sessions.

3. That the presidency of Bishop Foster at our Conference has given us very great pleasure.

Signed by

J. F. WRIGHT,

J. C. Bontecou, And other senior members.

#### Condolence.

WHEREAS, we have heard with profound sorrow of the death of the wife of our former colleague, Rev. John Miley, D. D.; therefore,

1. Resolved, That while we recognize the wisdom of God in all the events of life, and bow with submission to His will, we would, at the same time, tender to our bereaved brother, Dr. Miley, our sincere sympathy and condolence, and commend him by prayer to the Divine Comforter, for sustaining and comforting grace in this his hour of sorrow.

2. Resolved, That the Secretary of the Conference is hereby requested to forward, without delay, to Dr. Miley, the foregoing action of the Conference.

W. I. FEE, W. HERR,

A. Lowrey,
J. F. Wright,
G. Moody,
Wm. Young,
J. W. Weakley,
G. C. Crum.

#### Dr. Wentworth's Sermon.

RESOLVED, That we do hereby request Dr. Wentworth to furnish, for publication, the sermon preached by him before the Conference yesterday

afternoon, and ask the Agents of the Western Book Concern to print it in suitable form.

A. BOWERS,
J. STEPHENSON.

#### Transfer of Rev. C. W. Dreese.

RESOLVED, That we respectfully request the transfer of Rev. Charles W. Dreese, a missionary in Mexico and a probationer in the Providence Conference, to the Cincinnati Conference, in the bounds of which he was born, converted, and licensed to preach.

W. I. Fee,

J. F. MARLAY, D. J. STARR.

#### Respect to Dr. Lowrey.

WHEREAS, Rev. Asbury Lowrey, D. D., in view of his age and service, asked and has obtained a change of ministerial relation, in order to assume the responsibilities of editor of the *Christian Standard*, and to visit "Bible Lands" during the ensuing year, should Providence permit; therefore,

Resolved, That after intimate ministerial acquaintance and fellowship with Dr. Lowrey, during a period of thirty years, we esteem him very highly in love as a devoted, able, and useful minister of the New Testament; and we deeply regret the loss to the regular work of his eminently effective labors.

Our appreciation, sympathies, and prayers will follow him; and should he, at any time in the future, elect to return to the regular work, we will extend to him most cordial welcome.

GRANVILLE MOODY,
WM. I. FEE,
GEO. C. CRUM,
JOHN F. WRIGHT,
J. F. CHALFANT,
J.

WM. H. SUTHERLAND, WM. HERR, WM. YOUNG, WM. I. ELLSWORTH, J. W. WEAKLEY.

#### Respect to Transfers-Rev. T. S. Cowden.

Whereas, we learn that the Bishop has transferred our beloved brother, Rev. Truman S. Cowden, to the Kentucky Conference; therefore, Resolved, That highly appreciating his gifts, grace, and usefulness, we part from brother Cowden with deep regret, and implore upon him the

blessing of God in his new field of labor.

Resolved, That should he at any time desire to return to this Conference, we will extend to him a cordial welcome.

D. J. STARR,
SILAS BENNETT,
C. T. CRUM,
M. KAUFFMAN,

A. M. GRIFFITH,
WM. I. FEE,
J. F. MARLAY.

#### Dr. R. M. Hatfield.

Whereas, we learn that our beloved brother, Rev. R. M. Hatfield, D. D., has been transferred to the Philadelphia Conference; therefore, Resolved, That we express our high appreciation of the services of Dr. Hatfield during his connection with our Conference; and if, at

any time, the exigencies of the work should require his return, we will most gladly receive him.

W. L. HYPES, LUCIEN CLARK, J. F. MARLAY, D. H. MOORE.

#### Rev. J. Kendall.

WHEREAS, the Rev. Jas. Kendall, for many years past an able and beloved minister of this Conference, has, as we learn, been transferred to

another Conference; therefore,

Resolved, That while we part from our brother with reluctance and regret, yet our best wishes and earnest prayers shall go with him to his new field of labor; and if, in the providence of God, he should ever desire to return to his Conference home, we will cordially welcome him back.

WM. HERR,

J. F. MARLAY,

GRANVILLE MOODY,
J. STEPHENSON,
W. L. HYPES.

L. CLARK,

#### Rev. R. L. Vickers.

RESOLVED, 1. That Rev. Robert Lesley Vickers be, and is hereby, granted a location, by his own consent, for the reason that our work is such that we can not give him an appointment, at the present time, of such grade as he might desire or successfully serve.

2. That the Secretary is hereby requested to give him a letter, expressing our unqualified appreciation of him as a man and Christian.

#### On Camp-Meetings.

RESOLVED, 1. That we believe now, as ever, in camp-meetings.

2. That we believe that camp-meetings may be held on the Sabbath-

day, without any violation of the law of God.

3. That we have confidence in the brethren of the ministry and laity who have charge of these meetings; and we do not fear that they will disgrace our Church, or bring reproach upon the cause of Christ, by their management of them.

4. That we rejoice that God has owned these meetings the present season, by making them the spiritual birthplace of a multitude of souls,

and of the sanctification of a large number of believers.

5. That we condemn all Sabbath desecration connected with campmeetings, such as charging admission-fees at the gates, selling sodawater, lemonade, ice-cream, etc., making merchandise of the Lord's-day.

#### Of Thanks.

RESOLVED, 1. That we hereby tender our thanks to the citizens of Wilmington for the very hospitable manner in which they have entertained the members and visitors of this Conference.

2. That we hereby tender our thanks to the pastor of this Church, and the Committee on Entertainment, for the liberal interest they have taken in our welfare.

3. That we express our gratitude to the trustees of the Methodist,

Friends, Baptist, and Presbyterian Churches, for the use of their

buildings, and the courtesies extended.

4. That we are grateful to the Marietta & Cincinnati, and to the Pittsburg, Cincinnati & St. Louis Railroad Companies, for favors extended to members and visitors of Conference, in traveling over their lines.

J. T. Bail, D. J. Starr,

J. T. BAIL, D. J. STA F. M. CLEMENS, W. HERR.

A. B. LEONARD,

#### Conference Stewards' Resolutions.

1. Resolved, That a sum equivalent to ten per cent of the salaries paid in each presiding elder's district shall be the amount expected from the same; and the District Stewards are hereby requested to distribute the same to the respective charges, according to the ability of each.

2. Resolved, That we hereby pledge ourselves to present this claim to our people as early in the year as practicable, giving it that prominence

its merits demand.

3. Resolved, That in the passage of character, each pastor shall be

requested to report the amount of his collection.

4. Resolved, That any pastor who may neglect to present this claim to his charge, or shall lightly excuse himself therefrom, will thereby

expose himself to just censure.

5. Resolved, That estimating committees, in complying with the Discipline (sec. 482), request claimants to furnish to the Estimating Committee appointed by the quarterly conference, and to the Board of Stewards of the Annual Conference, a full statement, in writing, annually, on the first day of Conference, of their financial condition, and that no claims should be considered without such financial statement.

J. C. BROOKE, Chairman.

S. WEEKS, Secretary.

# Reports.

## STEWARDS' REPORT.

#### FIFTH COLLECTION.\*

EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.	Cumminsville & West Union,
Washer Changl W T Day 601 10	J. S. Pumphrey \$25 75
Wesley Chapel, W. I. Fee \$91 12	Winton Place, R. K. Deem 50 00
Trinity, D. H. Moore 320 00	Hartwell and Carthage, W. H.
Asbury, J. E. Gilbert 123 50	Smith 35 00
Pearl-street, A. Bowers 41 30	Port Union and Glendale, W.
Mt. Auburn, J. T. Short 27 15	H. Black 26 00
Walnut Hills, W. L. Hypes 232 00	Lockland, S. B. Smith 60 50
Grace Church, A. D. Raleigh 25 00	Cheviot, J. W. Sutherland 28 50
M'Kendree, G. W. Kelley 30 00	
Pendleton and Columbia, J.	
Verity 10 00	Hamilton, T. J. Harris 100 00
Madisonville, E. T. Wells 76 00	Oxford, D. C. Vance 56 00
Mt. Washington, M. Kauffman 35 80	Venice, F. Hypes 63 75
Newtown; T. J. Euans 11 65	Harrison, J. F. Conrey 50 00
Milford, W. B. Moler 20 75	North Bend, M. G. Baker 9 75
Centenary, S. N. Marsh 25 00	Eaton, J. W. Cassatt 73 56
	Camden, R. L. Vickers 2 10
Loveland and Mainville, H. C.	Seven-mile, J. Wilson 9 00
Middleton 26 00	New Paris, J. F. Hull 8 00
Lebanon, J. Murray 50 00	Fairhaven, W. B. Jackson 11 40
South Lebanon, R. S. Hager-	,
man 8 00	Total\$1,456 86
Goshen, J. F. Loyd 34 50	
Morrow, W. Young 9 20	DAYTON DISTRICT.
Waynesville, J. Pearson 14 25	2 2 2 2 2 2
New Burlington, H. Stokes 6 50	Dayton: Grace Church, M. A.
Xenia: 1st Church, J. F. Marlay 120 00	Richards 194 00
Trinity, D. J. Starr 73 67	Raper Chapel, T. Collett 54 87
Miami, C. H. Kalbfus 50 00	Sears-street, G. H. Kennedy. 4 90
	Davisson Chapel, W. N.
Total\$1,462 14	Williams 8 10
100001	Troy, J. T. Bail 70 50
WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.	Tippecanoe, W. N. Brodbeck 28 35
WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.	Addison, J. C. Deem 20 00
Cincinnati: St. Paul, C. H.	Concord, C. T. Crum 16 00
Payne 517 80	Lewisburg, T. De Witt Peak 39 25
St. John's, A. B. Leonard 69 00	Winchester, G. L. Travis 16 65
Christie, W. A. Robinson 111 70	Piqua: Green-street, J. Ste-
	phenson
Finley, C. Ferguson (\$12.50	Grace Church, S. Bennett 14 00
from last year) 22 50	
York Street, A. N. Spahr 40 00	Lockington, L. F. Young 11 00
M'Lean, E. M'Hugh 44 50	Fletcher, H. M. Curry 50 80
Fairmount, J. N. Irvin 16 00	Paris, J. J. Hill 15 75

<sup>\*</sup>Statistics of Salaries and House-rent not furnished by the Stewards .- Pub. Committee.

Brant, J. B. Ellsworth	Sinking Springs, E. M. Cole       \$14 75         Wilmington, W. Runyan       31 35         Bowersville, J. I. Taggart       34 75         Clarksville, J. H. Middleton       63 00         Lynchburg, G. M. Edgar       39 00         Surdinia, W. Mahon       21 00         Winchester, S. W. Edmiston       21 75         Butlerville, D. L. Hayward       44 41
Total\$861 97	Total\$498 51
Springfield District.	RIPLEY DISTRICT.
Springfield: High-street, L.       Clark	Ripley, Sylvester Weeks (\$10, special from Mrs. N. A.       Bradford)
Yellow Springs, G. C. Crum 27 45	Total\$457 26
Jamestown, D. Whitmer 62 60 Union, J. P. Shultz 110 00	
	RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.
Total	East Cincinnati District
Highland, R. E. Smith 33 50	Total\$5,827 20
has it been applied?	ived on the foregoing claims, and how
Answer. From Charges	
Total	\$6,095 77
Applied a	s follows:
J. C. Maddy       \$250 00         E. H. Field       250 00         W. Routledge       250 00         A. Murphy       200 00	N. Callender

W. Webster\$1	100	00		3125	00
R. A. Arthur	50	00	Mrs. Meredith	100	CO
G. W. Rowe	25	00	Mrs. Swormstedt	100	00
John Barton	30	00	Mrs. Tomlinson	100	00
Mrs. West 1	150	00	Mrs. Barton	100	00
	50		Mrs. Marlay	100	00
Three children of Mrs. Nation 1	150	00	Mrs. Miller	100	00
Mrs. A. Brown 1	50	00	Mrs. I. I. Beall	100	00
Mrs. Shinn 1	50	00	Mrs. E. D. Roe		
Mrs. Sharp 1	50	00	Mrs. White	100	00
Mrs. Lorrain 1	50	00	Mrs. Curry	100	00
Mrs. Lovell 1				100	
Mrs. Fyffe 1	50	00		100	00
	50		Miss J. Smith	75	00
	50	00	Mrs. James Smith	75	00
	50	00	Mrs. I. Neff	50	00
	50	00	Mrs. Cooper	50	00
Mrs. Hall 1	50	00	Mrs. Austin	50	00
Mrs. Harris 1	50	00	Miss Mary Curry	25	00
Mrs. Fowble 1			Secretary of Conference	7	26
Mrs. Spencer 1			Stationery	2	27

J. C. Brooke, Chairman; Sylvester Weeks, Secretary; W. Q. Shannon, Treasurer; H. C. Middleton, B. F. Sells, J. Cochnower,

W. N. WILLIAMS, H. E. PARROTT, G. H. DART, E. C. MIDDLETON, G. M. EDGAR,

Stewards.

### 2. REPORT OF TREASURER OF EPISCOPAL FUND.

EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

Xenia: Trinity, D. J. Starr \$10	00
New Burlington, H. Stokes 7	00
Milford, W. B. Moler 1	18
	00
Loveland and Mainville, H. C.	
Middleton 5	00
Pendleton and Columbia, J.	
Verity 5	30
M'Kendree, G. W. Kelley 5	00
Mt. Auburn, J. T. Short10	00
Goshen, J. F. Loyd 6	78
Trinity, D. H. Moore	00
Newtown, T. J. Euans 5	30
Mount Washington, M. Kauff-	
man20	00
South Lebanon, R. S. Hager-	
man 5	65
Walnut Hills, W. L. Hypes50	00
Madisonville, E. T. Wells 8	05
East Pearl-street, A. Bowers 8	00
Centenary, S. N. Marsh10	00
Asbury, J. E. Gilbert20	00

For District......\$257 26

#### WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

St. Paul, C. H. Payne\$70	00
York-street, A. N. Spahr15	00
Christie, W. A. Robinson10	00
M'I con F M'Hugh	
M'Lean, E. M'Hugh10	35
Port Union and Glendale, W. H.	
Black15	00
Camden, R. L. Vickers 1	10
Fairmount, J. N. Irvin 5	00
Seven-mile, J. Wilson 2	00
Cumminsville, J. S. Pumphrey 5	25
North Bend, M. G. Baker 3	00
Oxford, D. C. Vance 6	00
	00
	00
Fairhaven and Sugar Valley, W.	
B. Jackson 3	10
Lockland, S. B. Smith24	45
Hartwell & Carthage, W.H. Smith 9	00
Eaton, J. W. Cassatt 2	00
New Paris, J. F. Hull 3	60
Venice, F. Hypes14	27
Winton Place, R. K. Deem 4	00
Hamilton, T. J. Harris25	00
mainition, 1. v. marris25	90
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For District......\$230 12

DAYTON DISTRICT.	Catawha I Vanca #5 25
DATION DISTRICT.	Catawba, J. Vance
Grace Church, M. A. Richards\$40 00 Fairfield, J. G. Black 7 00	Tremont, C. Kalbfus 7 00
Lewisburg, T. D. W. Peak14 00 Franklin, S. A. Brewster 5 00	For District\$115 33
Lockington, L. F. Young 4 00 Tippecanoe and Kessler, W. N.	HILLSBORO DISTRICT.
Brodbeck 2 00	Wilmington, W. Runyan 7 50
Monroe, A. Hamilton 5 00	Winchester, S. W. Edmiston 5 47
Green-street, Piqua, J. Stephen-	Butlerville, D. L. Hayward 1 90
son 8 00	New Lexington, J. M'K. Shultz. 1 25
Middletown, F. M. Clemens 4 85	Bowersville, J. I. Taggart 5 65
Red Lion and Springboro, S. W.	Highland, R. E. Smith 2 30
Carey 7 80	Hillsboro, T. S. Cowden 7 00
Miamisburg, M. Dustin12 70	Clarksville, J. H. Middleton 5 00
Winchester and Germantown, G.	Greenfield, Frank G. Mitchell 2 00
L. Travis 4 15	Sardinia, W. Mahon10 00
Grace Church, Piqua, S. Bennett. 2 00	
Concord, C. T. Crum12 85	For District\$48 07
For District\$129 35	RIPLEY DISTRICT.
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.	Batavia, L. M. Davis
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.	Amelia, N. Prince 4 50
High-street, Lucien Clark 10 00	Georgetown, G. T. Weaver 1 75
Central Church, C. W. Ketcham.11 55	Decatur, W. J. Quarry 8 00
South Charleston, J. W. Mason 5 00	Moscow, E. C. Smith 6 00
Union J. P. Shultz16 90	West Union, W. M. Boyer 8 00
Urbana: First Church, W. H.	Manchester, J. P. Porter10 00
Sutherland 4 23	Williamsburg, H. Miller 5 00
Second, G. H. Dart20 00	New Richmond 3 45
King's Creek, A. W. Tibbits13 85	Additional after close of Report15 15
Mechanicsburg, W. Fitzgerald 6 55	
Mingo and Tabor, J. M. Robin-	For District\$75 16
son	Total from Districts 840 14
East Liberty, E. P. James 5 00	
Moorefield, E. Burdsall 2 00	W. E. HINES, Treasurer.

## 3. REPORT ON FINANCE.

WE recognize the impracticability of applying any detailed plan of finance in all our Churches with uniform efficiency; hence, we would urge upon all our ministers,—

1. That they act freely in their right to examine the stewards' accounts, and urge upon the stewards such methods as harmonize with the partial expressions of the Discipline, and as their wide experience finds to have been most successful.

2. That, as inefficient stewards are a principal cause of embarrassment in this department of Church-work, we insist that pastors shall nominate, and quarterly conferences elect, such men only as have very special business and religious qualifications for this office. And that their responsibility for the success of our many collections be strongly enjoined upon them.

3. We believe that, as our Discipline suggests, wisely written circulars might be sent with good effect to all our members by the stewards,

stating the needs of the work, the plan of raising funds, and their obligations in it, and this should be followed with a personal appeal by the stewards. And, for the fuller information of the members, the stewards should make quarterly and annual exhibits, before the societies, of all collections and disbursements of moneys.

4. We believe that an intelligent assessment of Church claims upon the members is the only safe rule of finance upon the Scriptural basis—"As the Lord hath prospered thee"—and that they should be taught to accept such assessment with the unrepining readiness with which pastors

accept their allowance for living.

5. We believe that weekly collections, by envelopes or otherwise, are practicable and wise, especially in our town charges; and that in any charge for members to pay but annually, and that payment stayed till the end of the Conference Year, works great hardship and injustice to pastors.

6. We recommend that all preachers of the Conference be allowed and paid a generous support. It can not be expected that a pastor, who is embarrassed in his means of support, or who is struggling to maintain his family, can give his undivided mind or heart to his legitimate work. W. A. RICHARDS, Secretary.

GEO. C. CRUM, Chairman.

## 4. CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT.

APPOINTMENTS.	Sunday-school.		Congregation	TOTAL.
EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.				
Cincinnati: Wesley Chapel, by Rev. W. I. Fee	\$293	56	\$152 08	\$445 64
Trinity, by Rev. D. H. Moore	483	1	806 75	1,290 20
Asbury, by Rev. J. E. Gilbert	121	75	156 03	277 78
Pearl-street, by Rev. A. Bowers				122 8
Pearl-street, by Rev. A. Bowers	64	24	42 60	106 84
Walnut Hills, by Rev. William L. Hypes	193	54	407 40	600 94
Grace Church, by Rev. A. D. Raleigh				10 00
M'Kendree, by Rev. G. W. Kelley				50 00
Pendleton and Columbia, by Rev. J. Verity				35 00
Madisonville, by Rev. E. T. Wells	75	00	190 00	265 00
Mt. Washington, by Kev. M. Kaufman	42	44	109 75	148 19
Newtown, by Rev. T. J. Euans				53 58
Milford, by Rev. W. B. Moler				38.00
Centenary, by Rev. S. N. Marsh			92 50	92 50
Loveland and Mainville, by Rev. H. C. Middleton	40	00	50 10	90 10
Lebanon, by Rev. J. Murray	26	86	89 95	116 63
South Lebanon and Zoar, by Rev. R. S. Hagerman.			21 15	21 14
Goshen, by Rev. J. F. Loyd	38	15	65 85	104 00
Morrow, by Rev. William Young				7 70
Waynesville, by Rev. J. Pearson	63	56	69 95	133 5
New Burlington, by Rev. H. Stokes				30 38
Xenia: First Church, by Rev. J. F. Marlay	147	39	116 75	264 14
Trinity, by Rev. D. J. Starr	29	60	194 60	224 20
Miami Circuit, by Rev. C. H. Kalbfus				71 00

APPOIN	TMENTS	3.			Sunday-school.,	Cougregation	тота	L.
Rev. J. Verity, Anniv. su			pringfie	ld		•••••	\$20	00
Rev. W. L. Hypes, "	44	66	44	•••	•••••			00
Rev. John Pearson, "	44	66	44	•••		•••••	20	00
Rev. John F. Lovd. "	66	66	66	•••			130	00
Rev. E. T. Wells, "	66	46	66	•••			20	00
Rev. H. C. Middleton,	66	66	66	•••	•••••••	******	20	00
Total	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	•••••	••••	•••••	•••••	\$4,832	27
WEST CINCIN	NATI D	ISTRICT.						
Cincinnati: St. Paul, by	Rev. (	C. H. Pa	yne	• • • • •	\$710 00	\$868 76		
St. John's, by Rev. A. Christie, by Rev. W. A.	B. Le	onard		• • • • • •	35 00	37 25		25
Christie, by Rev. W. A	Robin	nson	• • • • • • • • •	• • • • • •	100 00	280 65	1	
Finley, by Kev. C. Fer	guson.					87 65		65
York-street, by Rev. A	. N. S	pahr				90 00		00
M'Lean, by Rev. E. M	Hugh.				44 10	7 75	51	85
Fairmount, by Rev. J. N Cumminsville and West	. Irvin.					15 00	15	00
phrey	• • • • • • •				[		50	85
Winton Place, by Rev. R	. K. De	em					67	75
Hartwell and Carthage,	by Rev	. W. H.	Smith.			24 50	24	50
Lockland, by Rev. S. B.	Smith						179	_
Port Union and Glendal	e. by R	ev. W.	H. Blac	k				00
Cheviot, by Rev. J. W. S	utherla	nd	***			30 00		00
Bethany, by Rev. W. Q.	Shanno	n					103	
Hamilton, by Rev. T. J.	Harris.						205	
Oxford by Rev. D. C. Va	nce				95 95	111 75	137	
Oxford, by Rev. D. C. Va Venice, by Rev. F. Hype	9	**********	•••••	• • • • • •	29 20	***************************************		85
Harrison, by Rev. J. F.	onrov	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	•••••	• • • • • •	*************	50 00		00
North Bend, by Rev. M.	G Rob		******	•••••		30 00	13	
Eaton, by Rev. J. W. Ca	coott	CI	******	• • • • • •	95 00	101 70	126	
Candon by Roy D I V	ickons	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	••••••	•••••	25 00	101 70		40
Camden, by Rev. R. L. V	ilcan		•••••••		- * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *			50
Seven-mile, by Rev. J. W New Paris, by Rev. J. F.	H-11		* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	•••••	0.00	9 75		
Fair Haven and Sugar V	alley,	by Rev.	William	m B.		9 15		
Jackson Finley Chapel, by Rev.	C. Ferg	uson, c	ontribu	tion		*********		75
of last year Rev. F. Hypes, Anniv. su	h	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		1.1	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	*** *******		00
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Rev. J. F. Hull, "	"	"		•••		******		00
Rev. John N. Irvin, "		44	44	•••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	••••••		00
Rev. W. A. Robinson,	6.	66	44	•••		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		00
Rev. J. S. Pumphrey, Rev. J. Wilson, by Rev.	A. Lo	wrey, A	nnivers	ary	•••••	••••••	8	00
subscription at Spring	ield	•••••	••••••			•••	10	00
Total	••••••	******	•••••	••••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	•••••	\$3,602	71
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Dayton: Grace Church, 1	by Kev.	. M. A.	nichard	18	346 49	168 50	514	
Raper, by Rev. T. Colle	ett			•••••	100 00	300 00	400	
Sears-street, by Rev. G	eorge .	H. Kenr	nedy	• • • • •			15	
Davisson Chapel, by R	ev. W.	N. Willi	ams	•••••			21	
Troy: Mulberry-street, b Tippecanoe and Kessler,	y Rev.	J. T. Ba	il				151	
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APPOINTMENTS.	Sunday-school.	Congregation	TOTAL	ė e
Addison, by Rev. C. J. Wells			\$65	00
Concord, by Rev. C. T. Crum		•••••	30	
Lewisburg, by Rev. T. D. W. Peak		••••	58	26
Winchester and Germantown, by Rev. G. L. Travis.			18	90
Piqua: Green-street, by Rev. J. Stephenson		************	125	00
Grace Church, by Rev. S. Bennett			6	00
Lockington, by Rev. L. F. Young		••• •••••	******	
Fletcher, by Rev. N. C. Parrish			50	13
Paris and Lena, by Rev. J. J. Hill		******	38	20
Brant, by Rev. J. B. Ellsworth		**********	33	00
Miamisburg, by Rev. M. Dustin			70	35
Franklin, by Rev. S. A. Brewster			70	00
Red Lion and Springboro, by Rev. S. W. Carey		*** *** *** ***	100	60
Fairfield, by Rev. J. G. Black		*** *** *** ***	75	00
Fairfield, by Rev. J. G. Black	\$13 39	\$87 91	101	30
Middletown, by Rev. F. M. Clemens	30 20	30 92	61	
Monroe, by Rev. A. Hamilton	20 00	90 50	110	
Rev. C. H. Lawton, Anniv. subscript'n at Springfield Rev. J. Stephenson, Anniversary subscription at Springfield, and donation			20	
Total		••••••	\$2,207	39
Springfield DISTRICT. Springfield: Central Church, by Rev. C. W.	200 00	050 10	450	10
Ketcham	200 00	252 16		
High-street, by Rev. L. Clark	200 00	230 30	430	
Urbana: First Church, by Rev. W. H. Sutherland. Second Church, by Rev. G. H. Dart	FO 01	070 00	268	
Second Church, by Rev. G. H. Dart	70 31	270 30	340	
King's Creek, by Rev. A. W. Tibbits	••••••	AT 10	232	
Mingo and Tabor, by Rev. J. M. Robinson North Lewisburg, by Rev. A. U. Beall	•••••	117 05	41 117	
North Lewisburg, by Rev. A. U. Beall	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	117 25	50	
East Liberty, by Rev. E. P. James	1		52	
Tremont, by Rev. C. Kalbfus	10 00	103 85	121	
Catamba by Pay I Vance	10 00	119 00		
Moonsfield by Por F Pundaell	46 00	80 00		
South Charleston by Day T W Magan	20 00	162 82	231	
Catawba, by Rev. J. Vance	96 44	52 81	79	
Old Town, by Rev. A. N. Barton	20 44	02 01	10	
Jamestown, by Rev. D. Whitmer	***********	*** *** *** ***	382	
Union, by Rev. J. P. Shultz		*** *** *** ***	308	
Rev. C. W. Ketcham, from sundry persons of Cen- tral Church, Springfield, on Anniversary sub-			000	
scriptions made last year		**********	45	00
Mrs. Rev. W. Fitzgerald, Anniversary subscription made at Springfield			. 20	00
Total			\$3,428	
		*** *** *** ***	20,120	
HILLSBORO DISTRICT.	00.45	140 20	696	00
Hillsboro, by Rev. T. S. Cowden	86 47	143 53	230	
Greenfield, by Rev. F. G. Mitchell	16 26	121 74	138	-
New Lexington, by Rev. J. M'K. Shultz		105 00	105	
Highland, by Rev. R. E. Smith	14 94	165 06	180	111

APPOINTMENTS.	Sunday-school	. Congregation	TOTAL	Ľ.
Sinking Springs, by Rev. E. M. Cole		***********	\$92	00
Wilmington, by Rev. W. Runyan			51	
Bowersville, by Rev. J. I. Taggart		*****	151	00
Clarksville, by Rev. S. H. Middleton		••••••	170	00
Lynchburg, by Rev. G. M. Edgar			82	00
Sardinia, by Rev. W. Mahon			70	-
Winchester, by Rev. S. W. Edmiston	\$27 80	\$95 00	122	
Butlerville, by Rev. D. L. Hayward	5 98	102 88	100	
Rev. D. L. Aultman, Anniv. sub. at Springfield		••••••	20	-
Rev. J. H. Middleton, """"""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""	•••••	*** *** ***	20	
Rev. G. M. Edgar, " " " "		*** *** ***	20	00
Total	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	*** *** ***	\$1,560	91
RIPLEY DISTRICT				
Ripley, by Rev. S. Weeks	***********	*** *** *** ***	200	
Georgetown, by Rev. G. T. Weaver		10 75	10	-
New Richmond, by Rev. J. S. Whitney	***************************************		24	
Decatur, by Rev. W. J. Quarry		••••••	101	
Janchester by Rev. J. P. Porter	8 00	54 50	62	-
Manchester, by Rev. J. P. Porter	0 09		60	
aurel by Rev. N. M'Donald			76	
Amelia, by Rev. N. Prince		110 00		
Batavia, by Rev. L. M. Davis			77	10
Villiamsburg, by Rev. H. Miller		••••	58	2
larathon, by Rev. W. T. M'Mullen			51	5
Bethel, by Rev. W. E. Hines		<b>32</b> 80	32	
eesburg, by Rev. J. L. Gregg			75	2
Vest Union, by Rev. W. M. Boyer			92	8
Rev. E. C. Smith, Anniv. subscript'n at Springfield				
Rev. G. Moody, " " " " " "			20	0
Total			\$1,104	1
. Bequests.				_
Interest on bequest of Thomas Robinson, decease Society, by N. Prince, Pastor of Amelia Circuit				00
Recapitulation.				
East Cincinnati District	••••••		\$4,829	2
West Cincinnati District				7
Dayton District	************	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	2,207	
	•••••••	•••••	3,428	0
Springfield District			1,560	
Hillsboro District			1,104	13
Springfield District	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		
Hillsboro District			\$16,736	14

#### REPORTS.

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Paid for publishing Report in Minutes	\$25	00
Paid express charges on Missionary Certificates	1	75
Paid Hitchcock & Walden, at Wilmington	9,927	18
Paid Hitchcock & Walden, at Cincinnati, as per receipts	6,934	21

\$16,888 14 J. FORD CONREY.

#### Special Anniversary Subscriptions.

SPECIAL anniversary subscriptions paid at Springfield Conference, amounting to \$186, as reported last year, were paid by the following persons:

Mrs. Mary E. Huffman, by A. O. Huffman	\$10 5	00
Mrs. Rev. A. Lowrey and Rev. A. Lowrey, each \$20	40	
W. N. Shafer	-	00
Mrs. Poague	10	00
Mrs. Lee	5	00
Rev. S. Bennett	5	00
Brother Statler	5	00
Rev. T. M. Eddy	20	00
E. W. Middleton and family	35	00
Rev. F. M. Clemens	1	00
Mrs. Samuel Hitt	20	00
Rev. John F. Wright	20	00

J. F. CONREY,
Treasurer Cincinnati Conference Missionary Society.

#### REPORT ON MISSIONS.

MISSIONARY appropriations made at the Cincinnati Conference, held at Wilmington, Ohio, August 26th:

EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT—Pendleton and Columbia	\$500	00
WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT—M'Lean Chapel\$		
Fairmount 2	200 00	
Harrison 3		
HILLSBORO DISTRICT—Samantha 2	200 00-200	00
DAYTON DISTRICT—Sears-street		
Davisson Chapel 1	150 00300	00

\$1,800 00

(Signed,)
JAMES F. CHALFANT Secretary.

J. W. WEAKLEY, Chairman.

I approve the above appropriations.

R. S. Foster, Bishop.

## 5. CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.

THIS Society is yet in its infancy; consequently, its importance is not yet realized by the great mass of our people.

It is apparent to the Committee that the meagreness of the collections taken in behalf of this Society may be attributed to the careless manner in which we, as ministers, present the cause before the people.

We hear them asking: What is the Church Extension Society? What is it for? What does it do? The secret is, our people are not acquainted

with its object and plans of operation.

The object of this Society is to aid the worthy societies in all directions; to procure places of worship where they are unable to do so-in some cases by donation, in others by loan, with or without interest, as the case may demand. This money, in due time, is returned and loaned again; and thus it may continue active from year to year. of the Society is truly one of strong recommendation—the good done by a gift to the Society being so often repeated. The condition of the South since the close of the war affords ample opportunity, and demands immediate action. The Great West is being rapidly filled with a mixed population. Infidels of every class, from the fool who hath said, "There is no God," to the modern free-thinker, are pouring in. Rome is moving to possess the field. The Church must move to the front, and there plant the blood-stained banner of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The important question is, How is this work to be accomplished? The Church must recognize this Society, and meet its obligations. In order that this be done effectually, let the ministry present the claims and needs of the work before their respective congregations, so clearly defined that they may appreciate the situation; also, urge upon them their

duty of giving to this end.

J. F. HULL, M. A. RICHARDS,

W. E. HINES, Chairman; J. C. Ambrose, Secretary; W. L. HYPES.

## 6. REPORT OF THE FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY.

THE nature and extent of the work of this Society entitles it to a more careful consideration and hearty support than it has received. The providential character of its mission is not less marked than that of the other connectional agencies by which our Church is meeting the special demands of the age. Its field is the South, from which, as a Church, we were virtually excluded for more than a quarter of a century. The people among and for whom it labors are those who, although living in our own land for these many years, were unaccessible to us; and, now that we may reach them, they have, in all the needs that slavery entailed, none more pressing than those which this Society aims to meet, and is meeting.

During the eight years of its existence, the Freedmen's Aid Society has planted schools in every Southern State, and maintained Christian teachers among the freedmen, who have labored faithfully for the moral and mental improvement of this people so long neglected. Some of its schools have grown into institutions for the training of teachers and preachers, and from these each year scores of young men and women, who were once slaves, go forth to engage in teaching and the work of the

ministry.

With an average income of about fifty thousand dollars a year, this Society has procured, for the cause of the Church, property to the amount of nearly two hundred thousand dollars; has maintained an average of fifty teachers, and instructed thousands of pupils each year, and has aided in the support of a number of poor young men while at school, who are now doing efficient work in the ministry, among their people.

It is to be regretted that, while these glorious results are being accomplished, the Churches of our Conference have not been more liberal in their contributions to this good cause. While the reports show that the aggregate amount is about the same as last year, yet collections were taken in only sixty-seven (67) of the one hundred and fifteen (115) charges in

the Conference.

Not only has the General Conference charged the pastors with the duty of instructing the people in regard to this important connectional work, but at our last Conference we were pledged by our own action to fidelity in this matter. But even without such action, we should be encouraged to an earnest effort to enlist the sympathies and aid of our whole people. There is a higher call to this than Conference resolutions, in the providence which has opened the field and prospered the movement, and thus far crowned it with signal success.

It is to be hoped that, in the year to come, something will be done in every pastoral charge. The fact that four-fifths of the three thousand dollars apportioned to our Conference was raised in sixty-seven charges, indicates that the whole amount could have been raised if an effort had

been made in each charge.

Every community has an interest in the condition of the freedmen, as that condition affects the whole country; hence, every congregation is entitled to the information, in regard to this cause, that the Church has made it our duty, as pastors, to furnish; and every congregation should have the opportunity to do its part toward that mental and moral elevation of the emancipated and enfranchised thousands which is alike demanded by the welfare of the country and the progress of the Church.

Your Committee recommend the passage of the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, That the presiding elders be, and are hereby, instructed to apportion the sum of three thousand dollars among the circuits and stations of the Conference, and report their action to the several quarterly conferences, at their earliest convenience.

2. Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to an honest and earnest endeavor to raise every dollar of the amount assigned to our several charges.

JAMES KENDALL, Chairman; A. Bowers, Secretary; S. A. Brewster, J. C. Boltin, Wm. Fitzgerald, J. P. Porter.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

#### Of Freedmen's Aid Society, Cincinnati Conference, 1874.

EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.	SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.
Wesley Chapel, Wm. I. Fee \$26 6 Mount Auburn, Jno. T. Short. 10 2 M'Kendree, George W. Kelley 5 0 Madisonville, E. T. Wells 83 0 Goshen, John F. Loyd 11 0 Trinity, D. H. Moore	Moorefield, E. Burdsall
Miami Circuit, C. H. Kalbfus 1 0 Pendleton and Columbia, J.	
Verity	
Total\$1,525 3	Sardinia Circuit, W. Mahon 13 00
North Bend, M. G. Baker 2 2	New Lexington, J. M'K. Shultz. 1 00 Butlerville D. L. Hayward
York-street, A. N. Spahr 5 0 Camden Circuit, R. L. Vickers. 23 1	Sinking Springs, E. M. Cole 17 00
New Paris, Jno. F. Hull 12 00 Fair Haven, Wm. B. Jackson 2 00	Total\$45 95
Eaton, J. W. Cassatt	MIPLET DISTRICT.
Cheviot, Jno. W. Sutherland 7 0 Winton Place, R. K. Deem 4 5	Bethel, W. E. Hines 10 00
Fairmount, J. N. Irvin 5 0 0xford, D. C. Vance 10 0	THE REPORT OF THE PARTY OF THE
St. John's, A. B. Leonard 5 0	Manchester, J. P. Porter 3 00
Port Union, W. H. Black 5 0	
Lockland, S. B. Smith 7 6	
Christie, Wm. A. Robinson 60 3	5 Decatur, W. J. Quarry 5 00 Batayia, L. M. Davis 2 92
Total\$390 7	1500001,101, 221 021 22 11 12 1
DAYTON DISTRICT.	Total\$39 27
Troy, James T. Bail 12 2 Red Lion and Springboro, S.	
W. Carey 7 0	
Miamisburg, M. Dustin 4 8	
Franklin, S. A. Brewster 39 0	
New Carlisle, C H. Lawton 31 6	
Dayton: Grace Church, M. A. Richards 20 0	20 00
Total\$114 6	Grand Total\$2,460 06
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A. Bowers, Treasurer.

## 7. REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

THE Committee on Sunday-schools present the following:

The Sunday-school is a primitive institution, revived to meet certain modern wants. It aims not to diminish the parent's obligation to bring up his children "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord," but to stimulate, direct, and supplement his efforts. It does not supplant the pulpit, but prepares for its more systematic and thorough ministrations. It is not merely a nursery for the young. Its relations and methods are profitable to men and women, as well as children and youth. The Sunday-school should be in the Church, and the Church in the Sunday-school.

The Sunday-school teacher is a minister of the Word, to whom is addressed the searching inquiry, "Thou therefore which teachest another, teachest thou not thyself?" followed by the command, "Study to show thyself approved unto God." He needs to drink at the fountain of truth, and to be baptized with the Spirit. Without such preparation, every effort to teach is a caricature and a travesty, an assumption and an abuse, a formality and a folly. Sanctified brains and a purified heart are essential to the teacher's success.

The Sunday-school is an integral part of the Church: the pastor is its rightful head. The officers and teachers are his assistants, whom he ought to encourage by his presence, and assist by his counsel. The pupils are part of his flock, for whose spiritual welfare he ought diligently and prayerfully to labor.

Methodist Sunday-schools should be organized and conducted according to the Discipline. Special attention should be given to the directions concerning superintendents, teachers, examinations, reports, literature,

missionary collections, and normal-classes.

That these views may be more generally received and applied,—

Resolved, That the officers and managers of the Sunday-school Union, aided by the presiding elders, be requested to hold a series of district institutes during the coming year, to which our Sunday-school workers shall be invited; and that some competent persons be employed to conduct the exercises.

J. W. Cassatt, Chairman.

J. E. GILBERT, Secretary.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT.

EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT			Loveland and Mainville		
Madisonville\$	16	20	New Burlington	1	25
Walnut Hills Wesley Chapel	9	00	WEST CINCINNATI DISTRIC	T.	
Trinity	5	00	St. Paul	50	00
Milford	1	00	Christie	9	00
Mt. Washington		00	Eaton	12	00
Goshen	3	00	Oxford		00
Waynesville			Winton Place	4	00
South Lebanon	1	00	Cheviot	4	00
Pendleton and Columbia	2	00	Lockland	4	10
Miami	2	00	Fair Haven	2	00

Harrison	\$2	00	HILLSBORO DISTRICT.		
Port Union and Glendale	2	00			
P			Highland	\$8	00
DAYTON DISTRICT.			Sinking Springs	3	
Company Charles	10	00	Hillsboro	3	00
Grace Church	10		Greenfield	1	50
Miamisburg	5	95 25			
Franklin	5	00	RIPLEY DISTRICT.		
Troy	6	00	MIPLEY DISTRICT.		
Fairfield Fletcher	1	70	Laural	10	2/
Davisson Chapel, Dayton	3	09	Laurel	10	
Sears-street, "	3		Ripley	6	85
St. Paris and Lena	1		Batavia Bethel	-	
Di. Lans and Lona	_	00	West Union	1	
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.			Georgetown		20
*			Amelia	1	
Urbana: First Charge	20	45		1	01
Second Charge	8	75			
Jamestown	6	35	RECAPITULATION.		
South Charleston	6	00			
Springfield, Central Church	5	00	East Cincinnati District	57	
Union	3	85	West Cincinnati District	94	-
King's Creek	5	00	Dayton District	37	-
Mechanicsburg	4	75	Springfield District	64	-
Mingo and Tabor		75	Hillsboro District	15	-
East Liberty	,	50	Ripley District	30	0 9
Catawba	1 2	50	Total\$		_

#### 8. REPORT ON TRACT CAUSE.

S. B. SMITH, Treasurer.

WE feel that there is a great amount of indifference among us in regard to the Tract Cause. As ministers and people, we do not use this agency as we should. At the present time, the minds of the people are specially open to moral and spiritual truth. There is a manifest condition of receptivity in the direction of temperance truth and the higher spiritual experiences. Therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we urge upon our ministers and people the circulation of tracts upon these subjects, both among themselves and the

world without. ...

2. That we urge our ministers to give greater prominence and atten-

tion to the collection for this cause.

3. That we are glad to learn, through Dr. Vincent, that this department of our Church work is progressing admirably, that new tracts are being added to the list, while the form and style of those that remain are being changed.

EDWIN M'HUGH, Chairman.

E. T. Wells, Secretary.

## TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE TRACT SOCIETY.

EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.	SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.
Cincinnati: Wesley Chapel, Wm.	Springfield: Central Church, C. W. Ketcham
I. Fee	Urbana: First Church, W. H.
Trinity, D. H. Moore 5 00	Sutherland 3 36
Walnut Hills, W. L. Hypes 9 00 Pendleton and Columbia, J.	Second Church, G. H. Dart 8 75
Verity 2 00	King's Creek, A. W. Tibbits 5 00
Madisonville, E. T. Wells11 20	East Liberty, E. P. James 30
Mt. Washington, M. Kauffman 5 00	Mechanicsburg, W. Fitzgerald. 4 40
Centenary, S. N. Marsh 3 00	Catawba, J. Vance 1 10
Loveland and Mainville, H. C.	South Charleston, J. W. Mason 5 00 Jamestown, D. Whitmer 3 75
Middleton 1 45	Union, J. P. Shultz 3 84
South Lebanon and Zoar, R. S.	
Hagerman	Total\$41 25
Goshen, J. F. Loyd	
New Burlington, H. Stokes 1 20	HILLSBORO DISTRICT.
Miami, C. H. Kalbfus 1 00	Hillsboro, T. S. Cowden 3 00
Xenia: First Church, J. F. Mar-	Greenfield, F. G. Mitchell 1 50
lay 1 50	Highland, R. E. Smith 9 00
Trinity, D. J. Starr 2 00	Sardinia, Wm. Mahon 2 75
° TO 4 1	Butlerville, D. L. Hayward 1 75
* Total\$57 95	Total\$18 00
WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.	10131
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Cincinnati: St. Paul, C. H.	
Payne 25 00	Ripley, S. Weeks \$4 95
Christie, W. A. Robinson 4 50	Georgetown, G. T. Weaver 85 Manchester, J. P. Porter 2 00
Winton Place, R. K. Deem 1 50	Manchester, V. 1. 101001
	Laurel, N. M'Donald 5 25
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## 9. REPORT ON THE BIBLE SOCIETY.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the claims of the American Bible Society, beg leave to submit the following resolutions:

1. That we have undiminished confidence in the administration of the American Bible Society, and in its efficiency in the dissemination of the Word of God.

2. That we commend it to the Christian liberality of our people, and advise that collections be taken in all our charges in harmony with the Anniversary of the Auxiliary Society, within the limit of the charge.

3. That we recommend the reappointment of Rev. Wm. Herr, District Superintendent of the American Bible Society for the District of Southern J. M. WALDEN,
R. K. DEEM,
J. S. WHITNEY,
S. W. EDMISTON. Ohio.

## 10. REPORT ON PARSONAGES.

THE Committee on Parsonages are happy to report that six new parsonages have been added to the list during the past year, and a number of those already erected have been repaired and beautified; so that they have become more desirable places of residence than heretofore.

We rejoice in the disposition of our people within the bounds of our Conference to supply our parsonages with suitable furniture and fixtures; therefore,

Resolved, That we reaffirm that part of the action of the Conference last year, numbered 1, 2, 3, and 4. J. B. Ellsworth, Chairman.

W. T. M'MULLEN, Secretary.

## II. REPORT ON THE OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH.

Your Committee on the Observance of the Sabbath would respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. That we will always, and in all places, endeavor to be governed by

the Divine Law: Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.

2. That the general spirit of Bible teaching on this subject enjoins upon all people the observance of the day, by "not doing their own ways, nor finding their own pleasure, nor speaking their own words; but by making the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honorable," and . by abstaining utterly from secular pursuits, works of necessity and mercy only excepted.

3. That the Fourth Commandment is equally as binding upon the general and State governments and corporations as upon individuals; and all those who are charged with the enforcement of the laws should feel it to be as much their duty to punish transgressors of the civil Sabbath

laws as any other class of criminals.

4. That, as Christian ministers, as far as practicable, we will use our personal influence with the proper officers to secure the enforcement of

the Sunday laws.

5. That we earnestly recommend our people every-where to so conform their lives, on this day, to the specific requirements of God's Word, that they may stand forth as shining lights, in the midst of a gainsaying and disobedient world.

6. That we earnestly recommend that every member of this body

preach, at least once a year, on the observance of the Sabbath.

J. F. Marlay,
W. A. Robinson,
J. P. Shultz,
J. M'D. Mathews,
H. Miller,
J. C. Brooke,
T. A. Stevens,
Eugene Parrott,
P. P. Mast,
D. M'Collum.

#### 12. REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

THE Church is the light of the world. Its mission is the destruction of all the "works of darkness." Intemperance is the great evil that casts its dark shadow over all the interests of humanity. The Church must act for Christ, its head, and by the Holy Spirit, its life; and must antagonize this great sin every-where and always. The antagonism should seek the destruction of the evil, not its modification; its prohibition, and not its restriction merely.

We rejoice that the Church, in its various branches, has come to see

its duty and to feel its responsibility, recently as never before.

Surveying the field of our labor, in this regard, we would express our

convictions in the following resolutions:

1. We greatly rejoice, and render thanks to Almighty God, that the attempt to license the work of death and destruction has met with an emphatic rebuke from the people of Ohio, and that there is a majority of more than seven thousand that have not bowed the knee to Baal.

2. In this victory we recognize, as especially prominent, the agency of

the Christian Church and the Christian women.

3. In the religious element of this great reform we see the chief source

of power, and the greatest promise for the future.

4. We hold ourselves under moral obligation to see that our political influence is exerted in the most effective manner to secure the execution and improvement of our laws, for the suppression of the liquor-traffic, and the removal of the evils of intemperance.

5. No principles now advocated by any political party rank in importance with that of temperance; and we hereby solemnly declare that no ticket shall receive our support that does not declare for progressive

legislation on this subject, and a faithful execution of the laws.

6. We rejoice that our Church, in her General Conference, has spoken in no doubtful terms; and, as especially appropriate to these times, we quote the following from the Discipline:

S. B. SMITH, Secretary;

"Resolved, That we not only regard the manufacture, sale, or the using of intoxicating drinks, as a beverage, morally wrong, but we also most earnestly protest against our members giving any countenance to the liquor-traffic by signing petitions for license, by voting to grant licenses, by renting property for such purposes, or by directly helping, in any other way, to promote intemperance. Any one thus acting is guilty of unchristian conduct, and is subject to disciplinary action.

"Resolved, That we should make special effort to secure a nomination

and election to office of strictly temperance men.

"Resolved, That we recommend the use of unfermented wine on our sacramental occasions."

A. W. TIBBITS, Chairman;

J. F. LOYD, W. J. QUARRY.

E. M. COLE,

## 13. REPORT ON EDUCATION.

#### Springfield Female College.

Your Committee would respectfully report that they have duly considered the communication of the Board of Trustees, requesting the transfer of said property to the new corporation called the "Springfield Seminary," and recommend the Conference to adopt the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, That the Cincinnati Conference respectfully declines to give its assent to the transfer, by gift, of the property of the "Ohio Conference High-school and Female College" to the new corporation entitled

the "Springfield Seminary."

2. Resolved, That, as a Conference, we indorse the action of the Board of Trustees in leasing the institution to the new Board, known as the Springfield Seminary, with the understanding that either party shall have the power to dissolve said lease at the expiration of one year, or any subsequent year thereafter, by giving the other party ninety days

notice previous to the close of the Academic Year.

We also recommend that L. F. Van Cleve, T. J. Harris, W. I. Ellsworth, Wm. Herr, Wm. Young, and W. H. Sutherland, be a Committee to investigate all the accounts of the trustees, and to exhibit the same to this Conference, at its next session, and also to prepare a proper method for the election of trustees, according to the charter; and, further, that said Committee be empowered to negotiate a sale of said property to such parties, and on such terms as in their judgment shall seem wise.

#### Hillsboro College.

Your Committee find that this institution is doing a good work, and is gradually rising from the depression and financial embarrassment which so recently jeopardized its existence. We regret that some \$800 of the pledges made in 1869 remain unpaid. The claim is held by pri-

vate parties, and against the Conference, and consequently does not directly affect the school, but if not soon met, may, in the complications possible, not only seriously injure the institution, but bring great discredit upon the Conference.

We recommend that Revs. C. Ferguson, J. F. Chalfant, L. F. Van Cleve, A. Meharry, M. Dustin, T. S. Cowden, and S. D. Clayton, be

elected trustees for the ensuing year.

And, also, that the Presiding Bishop be requested to appoint Rev. J. M'Dowell Mathews as President.

#### Xenia College.

From the Report of the Board of Trustees, and also of the Committee of Visitation, we find that this institution has enjoyed a year of usual prosperity. The debt on the college is \$2,200, the interest of which, for the past year, has been paid. We regard the College as worthy of confidence, and justly entitled to the patronage of the country; and we would especially recommend its Normal-school as highly deserving of extended patronage. We also recommend the appointment of the pastors of First Church and Trinity, in Xenia, and of Yellow Springs and the two charges of Springfield, as visitors and examiners for the current year.

#### Ohio Wesleyan University.

Your Committee deem it unnecessary, in this report, to refer to the origin, progress, or even usefulness of this institution. It lives, we trust, in the hearts of our people. It has done more for Methodism in Ohio than any other institution of learning. If Methodists of Ohio are true to its claims, and to their ability and responsibility to God, they will neither ignore it nor suffer its repeated calls for relief from financial embarrassments to be made in vain. We call attention to the financial exhibit for the past year, which shows a deficit of over two thousand dollars. We earnestly hope that the resolution, passed one year ago, to raise thirty thousand dollars, to endow a professorship, may at least soon be realized.

1. We suggest that the Conference urge all its members to make special efforts to call the attention of persons of means to the wants of the University, and by private application secure, if possible, large donations toward its endowment, to be paid, if need be, in annual

installments.

2. Resolved, That the presiding bishop be requested to appoint Rev. L. D. M'Cabe, D. D., Professor of Philosophy in the University.

3. Resolved, That John R. Wright, Esq., be elected a trustee of the

University, for the term of five years, from June 22d, 1875.

4. Resolved, That Rev. T. J. Harris and Dr. L. H. Bugbee be appointed Visiting and Examining Committee to the University for the ensuing year.

Financial Exhibit of the Ohio Wesleyan University, June 1	5, 1874.	
I. Assets:		
Grounds and buildings		
Library, cabinets, and apparatus  Permanent Fund	28,500 235,100	
General Fund: notes and real estate	2,675	
Income Fund: interest now due		
Total	\$418 023	47
II. Indebtedness		
III. Excess of assets	\$375,707	44
From the Auditor's Report.  W. G. WILL  Secretary Board  In addition to the above, which is the customary report for the Minutes, I give the items which you ask, as follows:	of Trustees	
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Actual income, 1873-4		
Actual expenditure	18,418	14
Deficit	\$2,183	54
Estimated income, 1874-5		
Appropriations by the Board	16,420	00
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Anticipated deficit		40

Your Committee would make honorable mention of the efficient services of Dr. M'Cabe, the acting president, and would most earnestly commend the University to all our young men seeking a thorough education as an institution caring for the moral and religious culture of its students, as well as their intellectual development.

#### Cincinnati Wesleyan College.

THE same uniform success has characterized this College during the last year. Two hundred and twenty young ladies have been in attendance, one hundred and fourteen of whom were members of the undergraduate classes. This shows a growing appreciation of the college, on the part of the Church and the public, as an institution for the higher education of young women. We cordially recommend the College, as worthy of the confidence and patronage of our people.

We respectfully request the Presiding Bishop to reappoint Rev. Lucius

H. Bugbee, D. D., as President.

We also recommend the Conference to appoint, as a Committee of Examination for the ensuing year, the pastors of Wesley Chapel, St. Paul, Trinity, Asbury, St. John's, and Christie Churches.

#### Garrett Biblical Institute.

Your Committee recommend that Rev. L. Clark and J. W. Weakley, D. D., be appointed a Visiting Committee to the Institute for the current year.

We also recommend a paper offered by Dr. Bugbee, involving the following points: Commending, through this Conference, to the Board of Education and the General Conference, the propriety of securing organization and unity in our educational work; a code of college comity; uniform, or similar, courses of study in our preparatory and collegiate schools; uniformity of text-books, and attention to their character; and calling attention to the desirability of authorship of text-books, and the publication of the same by our own publishing-houses, and the appropriation of the profits of the same to the educational interests of the Church; and the necessity of the speedy compilation and publication of the exact statistics of our schools, and the transmission of the same to all the preachers, for their use in the presentation of the subject of education to their people; therefore,

Resolved, That a copy of this paper be sent to each of the conferences to meet this Fall, with the request that this subject receive careful consideration, and that some expression be put on record, as the indication

of the sentiment of the Church.

R. S. Rust, Chairman.

Respectfully submitted. C. W. Ketcham, Secretary.

#### Report on Subscriptions to Hillsboro College.

THE Committee appointed to collect the unpaid subscriptions for Hills-

boro Female College, submit the following report:

The Committee have called upon all the subscribers present who have not met their pledges. Several of these have paid this year; a few have promised to pay the coming year, and others decline to pay, in view of certain unfulfilled conditions upon which they made their subscriptions. A few of the brethren have died without making provision for the payment of their pledges, and a few superannuated brethren are utterly unable to pay their subscriptions. In view of all the circumstances connected with the case,—

Resolved, That the Committee be continued another year, with instructions to collect every dollar possible of these pledges; and, at the commencement of the next session, report in open Conference the amount paid toward this assumed debt, and by whom paid, the amount of unpaid subscription at that time, and the names of the persons from whom it is due.

R. S. Rust,

L. F. VAN CLEVE, T. S. COWDEN.

#### VISITORS' AND EXAMINERS' REPORT.

At the last session of this Conference, Rev. J. F. Chalfant, D. D., and myself, were appointed Visitors of the Ohio Wesleyan University. By ill-health, Dr. Chalfant was unable to attend. I was present at the opening and remained to the close of the examinations. So far as I was able, I acquainted myself with the condition, methods, progress, and wants of the University. Every facility was afforded the Visitors to obtain the desired information. In this report I can be expected to give only the general impressions made upon my mind.

1. The Visitors and Examiners have a more important and responsible office than by many has been supposed. They are not only channels of information for the Conference, but are also representatives of the Conference, in acting upon the recommendation of candidates for degrees in Faculty meeting, and participating with the trustees in the organization of the Faculty.

2. The University has had a prosperous year under the administration of the Vice-President, Rev. L D. M'Cabe, D. D., of our own Conference. This was readily apparent, and was attested by universal testimony.

3. Professors and students seemed well to harmonize. Mutual relations seemed healthful. The former were efficient in instruction, and the latter were generally faithful in application. The use of written examinations combined with the oral, indicate an effort for more perfect scholarship.

4. The religious results are encouraging. In the love-feast on Sabbath, a number testified to the great benefits they had derived from association with the University and Churches at Delaware, recognizing these as instruments of their conversion. A goodly number of the graduates go forth to engage in the work of the ministry.

5. The University needs more money—a more liberal endowment. The trustees and Faculty are anxious to make the institution what the interests of the cause of Christ and the Church demand; but are limited in the means to execute.

In its prosperity, every patronizing conference is a party deeply interested and largely responsible. They need the benefit, and have the means to secure it. The transfer of means from individual pockets to the treasury of the University is the next work to be done. A conviction of this duty, from a knowledge of the great need, is necessary to secure it. Convictions have been produced, especially in Conference discussions, but they have been allowed to subside before they resulted in effective action. To stimulate this interest, I will give a few facts:

The actual income for 1873-4 is	\$16,234	60
Actual expenditures		
Deficit	2,183	54
Estimated income for 1874-5 is	16,230	60
Appropriations of the Board	16,420	00
Anticipated deficit	189	40

Funds are insufficient when appropriated in the most careful manner. The Faculty needs to be enlarged. Astronomical and other apparatus is needed, and other improvements are pressing; but the condition of the treasury forbids. Much has been done for the University, and the University has done much for the Church in return. Much more must be done to make it what it ought to be, and to enable it to do what it is capable of doing. Contributions in this direction will be a good investment for the Church. With continued care over this institution, and an enlarged liberality toward it, we may look upon it as a growing instrumentality for good, as an ornament to the Church, and an honor to the State.

S. B. SMITH.

### 14. REPORT ON PASTORS' AND LADIES' UNION.

At the close of the war, the Christian women connected with our Churches, who had rendered most valuable assistance in the hospitals and through the Sanitary and Christian Commissions, began to consider their duties to society more nearly surrounding them. In the light of their recent experiences, this field opened up before them in a new aspect. Deeply moved by the Spirit of God, and loudly called by his providence, a few of these worthy successors of Barbara Heck, in the neighborhood of Philadelphia, began their modest efforts to assist the needy, encourage the struggling, and seek out the neglected, in the name of the Master. The work grew upon their hands. Bands of workers were organized, and an excellent monthly paper was started in the interests of the great and growing movement. The blessing of God was upon the cause. It grew in favor with the Churches, and, at the meeting of the General Conference at Brooklyn, in 1872, the following action was taken by that body:

"Whereas, the Ladies' and Pastors' Christian Union is doing valuable service by systematically employing the women of the Church, under the supervision of the regular pastorate, in religious work in the homes of the people, and especially among the neglected masses who do not come to the Church; and whereas, a large proportion of the Church are women, and there is a wide field of usefulness opened up before them in this direction, for which they are eminently fitted; therefore,

"Resolved, That the prayer of the memorialists be granted, and that the Ladies' and Pastors' Christian Union be, and hereby is, recognized as a regularly constituted society of the Methodist Episcopal

Church."

This subject had so impressed itself upon the heart of the Church within the bounds of the Cincinnati Conference, that, at our last session, held in Springfield, Ohio, the Conference organized a Pastors' and Ladies' Christian Union, with the following officers: President, W. I. Fee; Vice-Presidents, W. Herr, W. L. Hypes, J. T. Bail; Recording Secretary, J. F. Marlay; Corresponding Secretary, D. J. Starr; Managers, C. W. Ketcham, W. L. Hypes, J. T. Bail. Soon thereafter the Corresponding Secretary published a brief statement, through the Western Christian Advocate, recommending to pastors the organization of societies within their charges, and offering to supply them with the necessary documents upon application. Rev. S. A. Brewster, of Franklin; Rev. F. M. Clemens, of Middletown; a few other pastors of our own Conference, and several from adjoining Conferences, sent for supplies, and organized local societies; but the number of these is not definitely known, as pastors and secretaries have not furnished full reports to date.

The regular working of these organizations, in most parts of our Conference, has been interrupted by the prominent part the elect women of our Church have taken in the great Temperance Movement; but the members are now turning their labors and developed talents more particularly into the channels of Church work. It is to be hoped that, during the coming year, a society will be organized in every pastoral

charge, and that the excellent paper published under the auspices of the society at Philadelphia will find its way into each of our families.

In closing the report, I take great pleasure in acknowledging the great interest which has been manifested in the work within the bounds of our Conference, by Mrs. Annie Wittenmeyer, the general Corresponding Secretary.

Respectfully submitted.

D. J. STARR, Cor. Sec.

## 15. ABSTRACT OF TREASURER'S REPORT

# OF THE PREACHERS' RELIEF SOCIETY FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1874.

CAPITAL STOCK.

United States Bonds	\$3,800	00
Premium on the sale of same	532	
Personal Notes secured by mortgage, etc		22
Mortgage Note, unproductive as yet		
Railroad Stock		
Subscriptions at Anniversary, of \$100 each	700	00
" " \$10 "	100	00
Annual subscriptions of members	71	00
Basket collection at Anniversary		50
	\$9.532	72

#### RECEIPTS FOR DISBURSEMENT.

Interest on Notes held	by	Treasurer	\$627	27
Disbursed to claimants	by	order of the Board	488	00

Added to Capital Stock	\$139	27
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Total	assets	•	\$9,671 99	
		WYT	37	

WM. Young, Treasurer.

#### 16. REPORT OF TREASURER

#### OF CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY OF CINCINNATI CONFERENCE FOR 1874.\*

EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.	Waynesville, J. Pearson \$15 25
Milford, W. B. Moler	Loveland and Mainville, H. C.
	Middleton 3 25
Wesley Chapel, W. I. Fee 36 25	Xenia: First Church, J. F. Marlay 16 50
Pendleton and Columbia, J. verity 5 00	New Town, T. J. Euans 3 00
South Lebanon, R. S. Hagerman. 5 00	Xenia: Trinity, D. J. Starr 5 00
dostien, J. F. Boyd 12 90	
Asbury Church, J. E. Gilbert 10 00	Total\$400 35
Trinity, D. H. Moore 50 00	Decrease from last year 26 91
Walnut Hills, W. L. Hypes 100 00	Decrease from that year 20 31
Mt. Washington, M. Kauffman 30 00	WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.
Centenary, S. N. Marsh 5 00	WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.
	Eaton, J. W. Cassatt
	Bethany, W. Q. Shannon 21 20

<sup>\*</sup> Not received in time for insertion in its proper place.—Publishing Committee.

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North Bend, M. G. Baker	\$3	00	East Liberty, E. P. James	\$1	00
Cheviot, J. W. Sutherland	7	88	Union Circuit, J. P. Shultz	17	30
Lockland, S. B. Smith	8	40	Catawba, J. Vance	5	25
Fairmount, J. N. Irvin	10	00	Mechanicsburg, W. Fitzgerald	19	05
Christie Chapel, W. A. Robinson	43	00	Mingo and Tabor, J. M. Robinson	2	15
New Paris, J. F. Hull	1	40	South Charleston, J. W. Mason	36	00
Cumminsville, J. S. Pumphrey	5	25	Urbana: Second Church, G. H.		
St. John's Church, A. B. Leonard.	9	55	Dart	45	70
Winton Place, R. K. Deem	5	00	First Church, W. H. Suther-		
Port Union, W. H. Black	5	00	land	13	00
St. Paul Church, C. H. Payne 1	196	50	Jamestown, D. Whitmer		75
Oxford, D. C. Vance	12		Springfield: High-street, L. Clark	33	00
Camden, R. L. Vickers	14	07	Yellow Springs, George C. Crum.	9	00
Fair Haven, W. B. Jackson	2	40	-		
·			Total\$	262	20
Total\$3	375	75	Decrease from last year	48	02
Decrease from last year	1	45	_		
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DATION DISTRICT.			Hillsboro, T. S. Cowden	25	00
Grace Church, M. A. Richards 1	166	50	Sinking Springs, E. M. Cole		10
Germantown, G. L. Travis	3	25	New Lexington, J. M'K. Shultz.	15	
Monroe, A. Hamilton		00	Bowersville, J. I. Taggart		00
Lockington, L. F. Young		00			00
Piqua: Green-street, J. Stephen-			Greenfield, F. G. Mitchell		00
son	2	00	Highland, R. E. Smith	14	
Tippecanoe, W. N. Brodbeck		50	Sardinia, W. Mahon		00
Red Lion and Springboro, S. W.	_		Butlerville, D. L. Hayward		00
Carey	5	75	Winchester, J. W. Edmiston	0	UU
St. Paris and Lena, J. J. Hill		20	Total	nno.	10
	20				_
Troy, J. T. Bail		85	Decrease from last year	13	34
Miamisburg, M. Dustin		85			
Franklin, S. A. Brewster	12		RIPLEY DISTRICT.		
Raper Chapel, T. Collett	46		Manager E C Smith	1	00
	10		Moscow, E. C. Smith		20
Total\$2	180	26	Laurel, N. M'Donald		75
Increase from last year 1			Bethel, W. E. Hines	10	
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SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.			Georgetown, G. T. Weaver	_	
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MADISON A. RICHARDS, Treasurer.

## 17. REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

#### 1. As to the Sunday-School Periodicals.

WHEREAS, our Church is largely dependent for the doctrinal instruction of the children upon the periodical literature of the Sunday-school; and whereas, we can not expect the pens and press of other Churches to teach Methodist doctrines; and whereas, our own Sunday-school publications are of the highest order of merit, and adapted to every requirement of the schools; therefore,

Resolved, That we will continue to use our influence to secure their introduction into all our schools, to the exclusion of the publications of other Churches.

#### 2. As to the Quarterly Review.

RESOLVED, That we regard the Quarterly as a healthful mental tonic, a complete index to current theological thought, and of incalculable advantage to our ministry.

#### 3. As to the Ladies' Repository.

Whereas, it is of the utmost importance that the Church retain its hold upon the affections, and mold the minds of our women to its sentiments and usages; and whereas, we know nothing that will contribute more certainly to this than the adoption, by our women, of the Repository as their choice of the monthlies; and whereas, we believe this would be their choice were they better acquainted with the constant aim and unsparing and successful effort of the editors to make it, in every department, the peer of the best American monthlies; therefore,

Resolved, That we will use greater diligence and more especial endeavor to bring the Repository to the favorable notice of our people in order that its subscription-list, for the coming year, may indicate a heartier and more general appreciation of its great worth.

#### 4. As to the Western Christian Advocate.

Whereas, the Western Christian Advocate, in the freshness, variety, reliability, and convenient classification of its news, its thorough discussion of the questions of the day, religious, scientific, or social; its faithful and satisfactory exposition and vindication of Methodist doctrines and polity, and its outspoken, able, and dignified support of temperance and of Christ's cause generally, measures well up to the highest standard of a Christian weekly, proves itself a welcome and profitable visitor to our homes, and an invaluable helper in the great work of the Lord; therefore,

Resolved, That we will commend it from our pulpits, and also endeavor to introduce it into every Methodist family within the bounds of the Conference.

#### 5. As to the Christian Advocate at New York.

RESOLVED, That while we record with genuine satisfaction the high estimate we place upon the ability exhibited in the general editorial management of the oldest and most widely circulated of our weekly papers, we, at the same time, record with sorrow the fact that it has not only failed to give, in full measure, its great influence to the Temperance Movement, in which, as a Church, we have taken so active a part, but by the course it has chosen has given no inconsiderable encouragement to those who carry on the traffic in alcoholic stimulants, and use the same as a beverage.

T. Collett, Chairman.

D. H. MOORE, Secretary.

# 18. GENERAL STATISTICS, NO. I.

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Springfield District. Springfield: Central Church. High-street. Urbana: First Church. Second Church. King's Creek. Mingo and Tabor. North Lewisburg. East Liberty. Tremont. Mechanicsburg. Catawha Moorefield. South Charleston Yellow Springs. Old Town. Jamestown Union. Merrittstown.	24 45 19 7 23 42 30 36 16 7 1 9 23 55 6	265 413 251 426 133 280 196 336 440 164 280 190 169 779 584 26	2 4 3 5 2 4 6	2 14 1 8  30 5  1  25 10 	4 2 2 2 1 7 3 16 12 20 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 61 85 264	2 1 1 1 7 3 2 4 4 4 1 7 2 1 5 6 8 1 1 8 1 8 1 8 1 8 1 8 1 8 1 8 1 8 1	\$26,000 35,000 15,000 6,000 14,500 4,800 5,000 12,000 9,000 13,200 5,500 4,000 5,000 11,000 18,000 2,000	1	\$7,000 8,000 4,500 2,500 3,500 1,200 800 3,000 900 2,450 4,000 2,000 3,000 \$1,0	\$110 31 150 00 136 45 87 25 66 10 11 65 42 50 10 00 17 76 41 15 39 25 74 00 100 00 27 45 	230 00 268 20 270 50 232 05 41 10 114 00 52 00 103 85 119 00 80 00 182 82 51 81	18 00 46 00 39 03 26 44 55 35 20 00	119 00 126 00 221 85 78 25 382 93	\$50 00 3 00 161 07 35 00 25 00 96 18 \$370 25	\$33 00 13 00 45 70 12 00 2 15 5 2 00 1 00 - 19 05 5 25 10 00 9 00 - 56 75 17 30	3 84	20 45 8 75 5 00 75 50 4 75 1 50 2 00 6 00	\$66 00 35 00 50 00 34 00 12 00 10 00 5 00 5 00 77 80 3 50 4 00 35 50 19 33	\$20 000 5 71 8 75 5 00  4 15 2 00 8 00  \$53 61
HILLSBORO DISTRICT. Hillsboro. Greenfield. New Lexington. Highland. Sinking Springs. Wilmington. Bowersville. Clarksville. Lynchburg. Sardinia Winchester. Butlerville.	20 40 59 8 38 10 12 20 6 71	538 500 600 712 300 550 450 378 398 609	2 9 1 4 6 3 5 11 6 1 6 1 5 6 3 8 2 6 7 3 1 3	28  2  2 15 8 1	8 35	1 1 1 10 8 11 1 1 6 7 8 7 8 9	. 13,600	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	5,000 2,000 1,500 1,100 800 4,000 500 500 600 1,000	90 00 70 00 35 00 33 50 14 75 31 35 33 00 63 00 39 00 21 00 21 76 44 60	121 74 105 00 165 06 92 00 51 25 151 00 160 00 70 00 95 50 102 88	16 26 14 94 10 00 22 80 5 98	105 00 180 00 92 00 51 25 151 00 170 00 82 00 70 00 118 30 108 86		14 00 8 00 5 00	9 00	8 00 3 30	7 00 5 00 1 00 1 00 7 10 	\$1 00

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CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	Amount Raised for Support of Bishops	Amount Raised for Building and Improv- ing Churches and Par- sonages	Indebtedness on Chu'es and Parsonages	Claims for Ministerial Support	Receipts for Ministerial Support	No. of Sunday-schools.	No. Officers & Teachers.	Number of Scholars of all ages	Scholars 15 years old and over	Scholars under 15 except Infant Class	Scholars in Inf. Ciass	Av. Attendance Teach- ers and Scholars	Officers and Teachers mems, or probatiners,	Scholars who are Ch. mems. or probatiners.	No. of Conversions	No. of Library Books	Expenses of Schools this year.	S. S. Advocates taken	S. S. Classmates taken.	S. S. Journals taken	No. of Good News taken	No. of Picture Lesson Papers taken	For Bible Society	For Education on Chil- dren's-day	Other Collections
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## 19. MEMOIRS.

#### REV. WILLIAM SIMMONS.

WILLIAM SIMMONS was born in Mason County, Kentucky, June 24, 1798. When about one year old, his parents removed to Ohio, and settled in Clermont County, where some of the family still reside. He was converted in 1816, under the ministry of Rev. John Strange. After his conversion, he was strongly impressed that it was his duty to enter the Christian ministry; but against this conviction he struggled for four years, passing, in the mean time, to use his own strong words, through an "indescribable mental conflict." He finally yielded, however, to what he regarded as a Divine call to the office and work of an embassador of Christ, and, on the seventeenth day of July, 1820, in the house of Benjamin Penn, near the Gregg Camp-ground, was licensed to preach, and recommended to the Ohio Conference. He was received by that body at its session held in August of the same year, in the city of Chillicothe.

His first appointment was to Piqua Circuit. This charge embraced twenty-eight preaching-places, to be visited monthly. The same territory now includes four stations and nearly a dozen circuits. Besides preaching twenty-eight times a month, he always met the class after service, the invariable custom in those days. His own characteristic remark on this subject is, "We would as soon have thought of omitting

preaching as to have omitted the class-meeting."

His next appointment was to London Circuit—a field of labor very similar, in extent and difficulties, to the former. It should be borne in mind that the times of which we speak were long before the railroad and steamboat and turnpike. Traveling was on horseback, often through unbroken forests, guided by marks on trees, and frequently through dismal swamps. On this circuit his horse fell under him, as he slowly and painfully toiled through a deep forest, and was dead in five minutes, leaving him without means to travel, and far from home. Through the efforts of kind friends, an amount was raised, in about six weeks, sufficient to replace the horse. If it seems to us that the time required to make up this loss was very great, when compared with the trifling sum necessary for the purpose, we must remember that "the people called Methodists," fifty years ago, were comparatively poor. This will require no stronger confirmation than Mr. Simmons's own statement, that his salary that year was just forty-eight dollars. After mentioning this fact, he adds, "I thanked God, and took courage." We cease to wonder at the marvelous success of our early itinerants, with such records as this before us. "In the fifty years of my itinerant life," said our brother, in his Semi-centennial Sermon, in 1870, "I have traveled more than one hundred thousand miles, preached more than five thousand times, and seen more than ten thousand conversions and additions to the Church." His salary, during this long period of heroic toil and glorious success, averaged four hundred dollars per year. But of this support, or rather lack of support, he never complained. His own words are, "Somehow,

by rigid economy, I have kept square with the world, and have now no fear of want in my old age; for I have God's promise that my bread and water shall be sure."

Deer-creek, Scioto, and Brush-creek were successively his next appointments, in 1822–24. From Brush-creek Circuit he was sent to Detroit, in 1825, as presiding elder of that district, which included the whole of Michigan, and a part of Northern Ohio. But, in addition to the work of this immense district, he was pastor of the Church in Detroit, a town at that time of less than three thousand inhabitants, of whom but fifty were Methodists. In a small, time-stained memorandumbook, found among the papers of Mr. Simmons, are these very characteristic words, referring to this part of his ministerial life:

"Detroit, Monday, November 21, 1825.—This day I spent principally in visiting from house to house. My judgment is, that a minister may do as much real good in this way as by preaching from the pulpit. But I have to mourn that I have such a disinclination to attend to this important duty. O God, quicken thou my soul, and enable me to be

useful in this part of my work!"

The labors of this year, among whites and Indians, in that comparatively new and wild region, were very exacting, and taxed our brother's strength so severely that he was greatly broken in health when, in the Fall of 1826, he started to Conference, which assembled in October, in the town of Hillsboro. It appears, from a brief entry in the small pocket diary already referred to, that this immense district, embracing the whole State of Michigan and part of Ohio, with the help of Detroit Station, paid Mr. Simmons that year a salary of eighty-eight dollars. This fact is referred to, not to reproach those who did, perhaps, what they could, but as a striking illustration of the wonderful growth and change which forty years have wrought in that country.

Mr. Simmons was next appointed to Chillicothe Station, at that time the most responsible and important charge in the Conference, outside of Cincinnati. From the meagre records of this period, we gather that the year in this city was one of marked success, but not without its conflicts. A great ball was announced to take place on the 22d of February, and Methodists, as well as other professing Christians, were expected to participate in this exciting and dangerous amusement. Mr. Simmons preached with such power and force of argument against the sin and folly of such worldly pleasures that the ball was abandoned. Referring to this time, he says, "I preached then against dancing and balls, because I believed, as I do now, that they are methods of the devil to draw souls from Christ." This was nearly forty years ago. In the matter of conformity to the world, great changes of opinion and practice have marked the progress of Methodism; but it will occur to some, perhaps, that, had the uncompromising and somewhat stern morality of the fathers been adhered to more closely by their descendants, it would be better to-day for the purity and spirituality of the Church.

It will be impossible, of course, in the brief sketch suitable to this occasion, to go into any thing like a detailed account of Mr. Simmons's various fields of labor. To do so would require a volume; for his ministry was remarkable not only for the great number of years it

embraced, but also for its fruitfulness of interesting incidents and gracious results.

His appointments after Chillicothe were Miami, Milford, White Oak, Hamilton, Dayton, Lebanon, Zanesville, Portsmouth, Marietta, New Richmond, Urbana District, Bethel (Cincinnati), York-street (Cincinnati), West Cincinnati Mission, Asbury (Cincinnati), Hillsboro District, Xenia District, Old Town, Tremont, Gaddis Chapel (Dayton), Urbana District, and Jamestown. For several years past he has been agent of the Freedmen's Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, an appointment which he held at the time of his death; so that, in his long ministerial life, embracing fifty-four years, his relation to his Conference

has always been that of an effective preacher.

Father Simmons was a man of one work. Equally with Saint Paul he could say, "This one thing I do." "Do you think," said his presiding elder, in the examination preliminary to his being licensed to preach, in 1820, "that it is your duty to give yourself wholly to the work of the ministry?" His reply was, "If God has called me to preach, he has called me to give up every thing else." And on this persuasion he acted throughout his whole life. Few men have had such opportunities to amass a fortune while preaching the Gospel. Out of his meagre income, fifty years ago, how easily he might have invested a small amount in real estate in such cities as Detroit and Dayton and Cincinnati, with the certain prospect of rapid accumulation! However others might, in this way, seek to gain the world and save souls at the same time, he felt that all his business here below was to cry, Behold the Lamb!

And now, when there is so much money-seeking and self-seeking and love of pre-eminence, and so much strife for influence and promotion, even in the Church—and, alas! too often among ministers—how refreshing to find one who sought not his own, but "the things which are Christ's," a disinterested, straightforward, guileless man, who seems never to have entertained a scheme for his own interest or honor!

He was a man of inflexible integrity. This trait in his character was so marked and conspicuous that he lived entirely above suspicion. The name of William Simmons was a synonym for honesty, and was associated in the public mind with a feeling of safety in regard to any interest which might be committed to his keeping. His history happily illustrates the value of a good private character, and shows, most impress-

ively, how much power a blameless life exerts.

Mr. Simmons possessed some rare qualities for the office of presiding elder, to which he was so repeatedly appointed. He had great kindness of disposition, unusual firmness of purpose, and remarkable self-control. He exhibited politeness without affectation, dignity without pride, and, in the chair of the quarterly conference, a strict adherence to rules of order and the requirements of the Discipline, without offensive pertinacity. And he was distinguished for his skill and dispatch in business, as well as for sound judgment in the council of the bishop.

To the cause of temperance he gave a life-long and whole-hearted service. In the early days of this reform, when it was far less popular than now; he espoused it with a zeal that suffered no abatement as he advanced in life. The local newspapers, published in his various fields

of labor, will carry down through coming generations the record of his earnest, and sometimes fiery and eloquent, words of denunciation of the liquor-traffic. Recognizing the business as destructive of all the best interests of society, and as the chief hinderance to the spread of Christianity, he waged against it a war of extermination; and, in the course of his eventful and useful life, gave and received many hard blows in the

great conflict with this deadly evil.

Father Simmons was an intelligent and active promoter of all the great educational enterprises of the Church. He was a firm friend of education, whether secular or religious, but especially did he favor and advocate the union of mental and moral training. He felt that it was a part, and a very important part, of the work of the Church, to educate her children; and so he endeavored, in every possible way, to sustain and encourage denominational schools. It is well known that the Xenia College has never had a more faithful friend than William Simmons. For many years he was president of the Board of Trustees, and on several occasions, when confined to his house by sickness, called that body together, and presided over its deliberations in his sick-chamber. While presiding elder of Springfield District, many years ago, his labors in behalf of the college there were incessant efficient, and very highly appreciated by the Church throughout that region.

As a minister of the Gospel, Mr. Simmons possessed largely the qualities, moral and mental, which constitute a useful preacher. His understanding was clear and discriminating, and his heart susceptible of strong and tender emotion. He was always serious, earnest, and pointed, and no one who heard him could doubt that the love of Christ and of souls were the governing principles of his ministerial life. His habit of reasoning was logical and convincing. His style was simple, neat, and dignified. His sermons were doctrinal and practical. They set forth the truths of religion in their Scriptural form, and carried them out into their practical uses. His appeals to the heart and conscience were direct and faithful, and often profoundly impressive. Taking his ministry as a whole, it was very successful, both in the conversion of singers and the

For several years past, brother Simmons has been a great sufferer. In the small pocket diaries which he kept of late, there may be found almost daily a record of intense bodily pain. But all this he bore with the spirit and courage of a martyr-hero. I watched by his bed the night before he died, and what impressed me most deeply was the fact that, amid paroxysms of excruciating pain, not a murmur, hardly a groan,

escaped his lips.

Shortly before he died, he said, in reply to a question, "I am calm,

peaceful, trusting in Jesus, on the Rock."

advancement of believers in Scriptural holiness.

I referred to his long, laborious, and useful life in the ministry. "I feel," said he, "that I have been an honest preacher of the Gospel. I never felt that I was a great preacher, but I know that I have tried to do good."

I then spoke of the near approach of our Conference session. "Yes," he said, "I had hoped to be able to get there, especially as one of my boys is to preside. I was traveling the old White Oak Circuit, and

present at the camp-meeting in 1832, when Randolph S. Foster was converted, while I was kneeling by his side; and, O, how he did shout!"

In reply to an earnest request from the family to conduct the funeral services, Bishop Foster sent a letter, from which we are permitted to make the following brief extract:

"Mt. Auburn, August 7, 1874.—I can not express the regret I feel that I can not be with you to-morrow, on the mournful occasion of the funeral of my venerated and life-long friend. Nothing but the most

imperative necessity could keep me from you.

I asked him if he had any message for his brethren, in case he could not be with them in person. "Tell them," he said, "that I have tried to be an honest, faithful minister, and that my one work through life has been to save souls. I love them all, and hope they will all be faithful, and meet me in heaven." Soon after, he added: "Tell them I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day; and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing." He paused a moment, but quickly added:

"Happy, if with my latest breath,
I may but gasp his name;
Preach him to all, and cry in death,
Behold, behold the Lamb!"

In this frame of mind, and with such expressions as these, he breathed his life out, on Thursday morning, August 6, 1874, at two o'clock, so gently and \*sweetly that it was impossible to tell the precise moment when he was "absent from the body, and present with the Lord."

"Servant of God, well done!
Thy glorious warfare's past;
The battle's fought, the race is won,
And thou art crowned at last."

J. F. MARLAY.

#### REV. JAMES ARMSTRONG.

REV. JAMES ARMSTRONG was born in the county of Leitrim, Ireland, December 25, 1803. Came to the United States when about twelve years old. The time or place of his conversion has not been ascertained. Rev. E. H. Field says, "My acquaintance with him began in the latter part of the Conference year 1825-6, when he was employed by Rev. James M'Mahon, Presiding Elder of Portland District, to travel with me on Black-river Circuit."

He joined the Ohio Conference in 1827; was appointed to Monroe

Circuit, Detroit District, as colleague of Rev. G. W. Walker. The next year, 1828-9, he traveled Salt-creek Circuit. At the close of this year he was married to Miss Elizabeth Cross, who, from that time, shared with him the trials and triumphs of his itinerant life; and who survives to mourn his departure, and to rejoice in the hope of a glorious reunion.

Brother Armstrong also filled the following appointments: Burlington, Letart Falls, Gallipolis, Adelphia; Rushville, two years; Old Town, now Frankfort; Putnam, two years, Norwich, two years; Charleston, Mechanicsburg: Franklinton, two years; Worthington, two years; London, two years; Franklinton again; Frankfort, two years. After the formation of the Cincinnati Conference, he traveled Sinking Springs Circuit; Aberdeen, two years; Laurel, two years; Batavia, two years; Moscow, two years; Laurel, Hamersville; Amelia, two years; Williamsburg, two years; Moscow, two years; Laurel; Sardinia, two years. Here, from advancing age, and failing health, he closed his work as a traveling preacher, and at the Conference of 1871 took a superannuated relation. Thus he closed his public labors running through so many years—going back to the wilderness, the rude cabin, the horse and saddle-bags; years of unrequited toil. For his first year in the ministry he received twentyfive cents and one pair of socks, and for the first three years-if my memory is correct—he received \$19.37.

Brother Field says in a note to me, "So far as my personal knowledge extends, brother Armstrong was an agreeable companion and colleague, zealous and faithful in the discharge of his duties, and, I doubt not, so

continued to the end."

He was an agreeable companion. Being eminently social and cheerful

in disposition, his presence always promoted cheerfulness.

Extremely modest, he disliked any thing like egotism or pedantry. But how many will recollect the peculiar fervency that often attended his relation of personal experience, and his prayers!

Brother Armstrong was esteemed a sound, practical preacher; yet it was perhaps in pastoral work that he excelled. He certainly possessed

qualities of a superior order in this work.

In the Fall of 1867, his brethren of the Cincinnati Conference exhibited their confidence in his ability by electing him as one of their representatives to the General Conference of 1868. In that Conference, he performed his duties with the same modest thoroughness for which he was noted.

He received and went to his appointments without murmuring or complaining; always cheerful and happy in his work. Since his retirement from the regular work, he had several attacks of partial paralysis, which caused him to suffer some depression of mind. In the midst of his increasing bodily infirmities, he continued to preach among his old friends when able to do so. In the early part of June he was taken down with sickness. Nothing serious was at first apprehended: but it was soon discovered that he was rapidly sinking with typhoid pneumonia. He complained of great distress in the region of the heart.

The transition of the cheerful, active man to a condition of helplessness and extreme suffering, seemed for a time to be almost too great a shock for the mind readily to rally, and hence for a time, though expressing himself in very strong terms in regard to his faith and trust in the merits of Christ, he seemed not to be as joyful as I had often seen him. But as the end approached, the sky cleared, and his expressions to his wife and friends indicated that he was resting sweetly in Jesus, and that the "peace of God which passeth all understanding" was keeping his heart and mind. And at his home near Bantam, Clermont County, O., July 1, 1874, Rev. James Armstrong, after a long life of toil and usefulness, fell asleep, in his seventy-first year. The verdict of multitudes is: "He was a good man."

W. E. HINES.

#### REV. JOSHUA BOUCHER.

Rev. Joshua Boucher was born on the 2d of April, 1797, in Lee County, Virginia. The family removed thence to Tennessee, and in 1815 had its residence in Warren County, in that State. It was in this year that brother Boucher was converted. The human agency employed was a pious slave belonging to his father. Filled with penitential sorrow, and crushed beneath the burden of his sins, accompanied by this slave, he nightly sought the depth of the forest. There they wrestled and prayed together. Light from heaven broke upon the darkness of his soul; a sweet sense of God's forgiving love filled his spirit; and joyously he could say, "My beloved is mine, and I am his." This fact in his religious history was never forgotten. The conviction that slavery was wrong, that the slave was a man, pervaded his very

being, and from that hour he hated the institution.

On the twentieth anniversary of his birth, he united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, and at Nashville, in the Fall of 1818, was admitted on trial in the Tennessee Conference. His first appointment was Henderson Circuit, Kentucky. In a letter to his friend, Rev. R. Brandriff, written in 1869, he refers to this, saying: "I went to my work weeping and praying most of the way. I asked God to give me favor with the people, and to bless my feeble labors among them." It was a year of religious prosperity. The membership of the circuit was doubled. The increase was two hundred. The next two years were spent on Livingston Circuit. A gracious revival crowned the labors of those years. From thence he went to Green-river Circuit, and at the close of the year was transferred to the Mississippi Conference. In this Conference he labored four years—traveling successively Alabama, Cedar-creek, and Tuscaloosa Circuits. He then spent one year in Tuscaloosa Station, and at its close he asked for and obtained a location. His labors had been great and successful. The circuits were large, the rides long, and preaching an every-day duty. He did not locate because the work was laborious, the support meagre, the accommodations often uncomfortable, but, in his own emphatic words, it was "to get out of the hell of slavery."

In the Spring of 1827 he removed to Ohio, and, at the earliest opportunity, united with the Ohio Conference. In this Conference his fields of labor were respectively as follows, namely: In 1828, Bellefontaine Circuit; 1829, Union; in 1830, he was returned superanuated; 1831-32,

Piqua Circuit; 1833-34, Springfield; 1835, London; 1836, Urbana Station; 1837, Troy; 1838, Westchester; 1839, Urbana Circuit; 1840, Mechanicsburg; 1841-42, Union. He had charge in each of these ap-

pointments, except Bellefontaine.

Some of the colleagues of those years are here to-day—one of whom now presides over this Conference—and others have passed to their eternal reward. On all these fields there yet lingers the memory of his labors and usefulness, and to many his name and friendship are still precious. Prior to the General Conference of 1836, the agitation of the question of slavery in the Church was begun, and, subsequent to that Conference, was continued with increased zeal and activity. This resulted, as is well known, in the organization, in 1843, of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, on strictly antislavery principles. The antecedents of brother Boucher, and his avowed antislavery sentiments, led him to sympathize with this movement, and in the Fall of 1843, he withdrew from the Ohio Conference, in order to connect himself with it. In his own language, "He felt conscience-bound to take this step." The sacrifice to him was great. In a conversation with the writer in June, 1873, he adverted with deep feeling to the mental struggles through which he then passed, and expressed the pain he felt at separating himself from his loved colaborers. "But," said he, "I had always tried to be honest, and to act from principle." Pressed by the consciousness of duty, he judged, he must stand or fall to his own Master. In the wonderful providence of God, the cause of separation has passed away. The night of slavery is ended, and we now rejoice in the glorious fact that, in all our broad land, the sun does not rise on a master or set on a slave. This bright page in our national history opened the way for a reunion of long-separated friends. It ushered in the dawn of a better day. The Church hastened to open her arms to receive and welcome her returning children. Of this disposition on the part of the Church of his early love, brother Boucher, with others, availed himself at the meeting of the Cincinnati Conference, in Urbana, in 1867. The cordiality with which he and other Wesleyan brethren were received to membership in the Conference at that time, was felt and appreciated as an act of Christian courtesy, honorable to the Conference and grateful to these brethren.

Brother Boucher's name was placed in the list of superannuates, and so continued till the day of his death. This accorded with truth. The infirmities of age were upon him. For years he had been afflicted with partial paralysis of the lower limbs. In October, 1872, the wife of his youth passed away to the better land. He felt sorely this sad bereavement, and from that time his decline was rapid. "He longed to depart

and be with Christ."

In June, 1873, impelled by an intense desire to see the friends of other years, and meet once more with his brethren in the approaching Conference, he left his residence in Missouri for Piqua, Ohio, and, though wearied and exhausted, he succeeded in reaching the home of his friend, Rev. R. Brandriff. The experiment convinced him that he had made a mistake, and the necessity for his immediate return became apparent. In company with his daughter, he reached his home in

Kingston, Missouri, the latter part of June; but was soon after taken very ill: so much so that, for a time, his life was despaired of. But, by the blessing of God, on medical aid and skillful nursing, he rallied once more, and till November 14th, passed the time in comparative comfort. Of his religious state during these weeks, his daughter, in a letter to Rev. R. Brandriff, of September 8th, 1873. thus speaks: "His confidence in the Lord remains unshaken, and almost daily he remarks, 'I am only waiting, waiting to go home.'" In this letter she also mentions the reception, through brother Brandriff, of an appropriation from the Stewards and the "Relief Society" of this Conference; when he was quite

overcome, and "wept like a child."

The day of dependence was soon to end; for, on the 14th of November, he was taken very suddenly and dangerously ill. For some hours he suffered the most intense pain. This was followed by a stupor which lasted for several days, during which he scarcely noticed any thing. Partially roused from this state, his daughter says, "that for two days and nights his mind seemed to wander back to years gone by, and he would talk of preaching, and of carrying his saddle-bags as he rode from circuit to circuit, frequently murmuring the names of Brandriff and Raper." The day before he died he awoke to perfect consciousness, expressed his devout thankfulness for freedom from pain, and observed to his children, whom he fully recognized, "I shall soon be with your mother in heaven." To a friend who came in he exclaimed, "All is well; I will soon know as I am known." Thus, in joy and hope, closed the life of Joshua Boucher, on the evening of November 22, 1873, at Kingston, Caldwell County, Missouri, in the seventy-seventh year of his age and the fifty-fifth of his ministry. Briefly we sum up the character of our friend and brother by saying, He was a man of God, mighty in faith and prayer; a minister, both useful and faithful; a Christian of a noble type, generous in his impulses, broad in his charities, true in his friendships, and zealous and firm for the right.

"Servant of God, well done!

Thy glorious warfare's past;

The battle's fought, the race is won,

And thou art crowned at last."

P. A. OGDEN.

#### REV. H. M. CURRY,

REV. HIRAM M. CURRY was born in Adams County, Ohio, April 7, 1818, and died in Fletcher, Miami County, March 3, 1874, in the fifty-sixth year of his age. A mother's Christian faithfulness led him early to love the children's Savior. The sense of his acceptance in Christ was in a measure lost in youthful years, and not regained until in his twentieth year, during a revival in Ebenezer Church, Aberdeen Circuit. The impression of duty to preach the Gospel was felt long before he was reclaimed; and not until he yielded consent to this duty did peace return.

He faithfully performed the duties of a local preacher several years, two of which were spent in the service of the Church under the direction

of the presiding elder.

He was admitted on trial into the Ohio Conference in 1848, and appointed to Lexington Circuit, with M. G. Purkhiser as colleague; and to East White Oak Circuit in 1849. At the Conference held in Chillicothe, he was received into full connection, and ordained deacon by Bishop Janes, September 22, 1850. His appointment this year was to Lewis Circuit, Kentucky, and to Montgomery Circuit in 1851. He was ordained elder by Bishop Simpson, at Xenia, Ohio, September 26, 1852, and returned to Montgomery Circuit, Kentucky, from which time his work in the Kentucky Conference was as follows: In 1853, No Creek; in 1854 and 1855, presiding elder of Green-river District; No Creek Circuit again in 1856; Montgomery Circuit in 1857, and Germantown in 1858; in 1859 and 1860 was presiding elder on the Covington District; and in 1861 and 1862, on the Maysville District, the two districts He represented the Kentucky Conference in the being consolidated. General Conference held in Buffalo in 1860.

In 1863 he was appointed to Brooklyn, Kentucky. During this year, brother Curry was transferred to the Cincinnati Conference, and appointed to West Union Circuit. His appointments in the Cincinnati Conference were as follows: Winchester, in 1864 and 1865; Moscow, in 1866 and 1867; North Lewisburg, in 1868 and 1869; King's Creek, in 1870 and 1871; Fletcher, in 1872 and 1873.

Brother Curry was twice married. First to Miss Louisa Craig, whose death occurred in 1857. His second marriage was to Mrs. Julia Vanduzen, of Newport, Kentucky, June 26, 1861.

While in Kentucky, opposed by pro-slavery influence, he was subjected to peculiar trials and great sacrifices in serving the Church; often "persecuted but not forsaken, cast down but not destroyed." Such heroism let the Church cherish in memory.

Brother Curry belonged to that class of men whose real worth is seldom fully recognized. Never seeking preferment, nor thrusting himself into notice, he accepted the work assigned him in the spirit of cheerfulness, and performed the duties of an itinerant fully and faithfully. Few men of his time did more hard work. His ministry was productive of good. His was depth and strength rather than brilliancy. He was a workman that needed not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. doctrines of the Bible were by him ably maintained, sin fearlessly rebuked, and the Discipline faithfully enforced. He steadily and lovingly held forth the attainment of Scriptural holiness as the Christian's privilege and duty, and humbly supplemented his advocacy with his own personal experience of the cleansing efficacy of the blood of Christ. For many months it became apparent that the toil of years was developing fatal results. Disease, in complicated form, was destroying the earthly house. But with persistent energy he toiled on when he should have rested. His heart was set on his work. Though his step faltered and his attitude was unsteady, yet he stood, February 22d, at the altar of God, and delivered the message of warning and love. His work was done. A few days of unavailing effort to rally nature from the effect of that breath which chills to warm no more, brought him to his last Sabbath. It was a day of review. Cause for humiliation was deeply felt; but, upheld by triumphant grace, as memory swept through fifty years of

mercy and labor, his exultation was, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." But his most tender affections and touching expressions were toward his wife and children. Of their homelessness and helplessness and destitution, he spoke from a husband's and a father's heart; but with a Christian's faith, in wrestling prayer, he commended them to God. Two days more of preaching, exhorting, and praying, mind-wandering—and the weary wheels of life stood still.

S. Bennett.

#### MRS. DOROTHY PHILLIPS.

DOROTHY PHILLIPS was born in Licking County, Ohio, January 19, 1815, and died April 15, 1874, in her sixtieth year. She was the daughter of Thomas and Margaret Taylor, who emigrated from Northumberland, England, early in the present century, and settled near Newark, Ohio. Her father was the first class-leader in the above named place. She was therefore blessed with early religious training. She was united in marriage to Rev. T. A. G. Phillips, her now bereaved husband, September 14, 1836, and has shared with him the toils and sacrifices common to the life of an itinerant minister. She was the mother of six children, four of whom have preceded her to their heavenly home. As a penitent at the foot of the cross, she exercised saving faith in Christ, and found the pearl of great price, which she retained through a period of forty-two years. She was never very demonstrative in her professions of Christian experience, but was decided, uniform, and consistent in her Christian life. She loved the house of God, Christian fellowship, the class-room, the prayer-circle, the precious Bible, the Sabbath-school, and her Savior better than all. She was a true, devoted, and faithful wife, an affectionate mother, a kind and accommodating neighbor, visiting and nursing the sick, and, as far as able, assisting the needy. For more than eighteen years she was a faithful and efficient teacher in the Springboro Sabbath-school, sowing in the soil of young and tender hearts the precious seed of Divine truth. Such was her interest in the cause of Christ, that at no time was she known to say to her h sband, "You leave too soon, or remain away too long," when he was laboring to win souls to the standard of the cross. For the last twenty months, her health has been giving way gradually with chronic bronchitis and affection of the lungs. Her paroxysms of coughing were at times painful to witness; but amid her afflictions she was enabled, through grace, to manifest great patience and a spirit of submission to the will of God, never murmuring at his dealings with her. For the last two weeks she failed more rapidly than before, and felt convinced that her time was very short. Her husband, impressed with this painful thought, and desirous of learning her prospects as she neared the Jordan of death, asked her these questions: "Do you now trust in Christ as your Savior?" She answered quickly, "I do." "Does Jesus save you now?" She responded, "O yes." At another time she said to her husband, on inquiry, "All is right; I love every body, and my Savior better than all." The night before she died, while suffering intense pain, she prayed, "Savior, give me grace." Being told that death was near, she said,

"Yes, I know it is the pangs of death." For several hours her sufferings seemed almost more than she could bear, and at one time she said, "How long, O Lord, how long?" In the latter part of the night she sank into a stupor, and breathed with great difficulty, and those who watched her thought her dying. Suddenly she roused up, exclaiming in a distinct voice: "I see them—the angels—the bright angels. They beckon me to come down to the bright river. They are coming for me. They want me to go with them. They are in the room—the redeemed—my relations—the children! But they are not children now; they are all angels." Then, reaching out her hands, she inquired: "Where are you? I want to bid you all good-bye. I am ready to go. I am going now." After bidding each one good-bye, and exhorting her two daughters to live right, and meet her in heaven, she said: "O, it's sweet! What are all my sufferings? They are nothing. I am just coasting along the river." Thus did our sister, with bright visions of the future, bid adieu to friends on earth, to join the redeemed in heaven,—

"Where all the ship's company meet,
Who sailed with the Savior beneath;
With shouting each other they greet,
And triumph o'er sorrow and death.
The voyage of life 's at an end;
The mortal affliction is past;
The age that in heaven they spend,
Forever and ever shall last."

S. W. CAREY.

#### MRS. SARAH J. NATION.

MRS. SARAH JANE NATION, daughter of Mr. Isaac and Mrs. Nancy A. Hagle, was born in Adams County, Ohio, March 5, 1812, and departed this life in Mechanicsburg, Ohio, August 24, 1874, in the sixty-third year of her age. Her parents were members of the Presbyterian Church, and governed their family in the fear of the Lord. Sister Nation's mother dying when she was twelve years old, she became more intimately associated with members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and became so attached to them that she was led by them to seek a saving knowledge of Christ and join this branch of the Church of God, in the fourteenth year of her age. At this early period, she gave evidence of that strong religious devotion which characterized her future years, causing her to be admired for consistency of Christian character by all who formed her acquaintance.

In the twenty-fourth year of her age, she was married to Rev. Philip Nation, a member of the Ohio Annual Conference, and then stationed on the London Circuit. The following were their fields of labor, up to the time of the decease of her husband: 1836, London Circuit; 1837-8, Kingston Circuit; 1839, Gallia Circuit; 1840, Parkersburg Station, Virginia; 1841, Kanawha Circuit; 1842, New Holland Circuit; 1843-4, Bainbridge Circuit; 1845-6, Highland Circuit; 1847-8, West Union Circuit. In 1849, brother Nation was placed on the supernumerary list. This was to sister Nation a year of deep solicitude for the health of her

husband, who was a subject of deep affliction till toward the close of the year. His health having been partially restored, they were sent to North Lewisburg Circuit, and there remained during 1850; in 1851-2, Vienna Circuit, which was their final field of active labor in the ministry. At the Conference of 1852, brother Nation was placed on the superannuated list, which relation he sustained until his death, which occurred October 14, 1855. About one year previous to the death of brother Nation, he moved with his family to Mechanicsburg. Here sister Nation lived up to the time of her decease. To her was committed the charge of five children, who are still living. These she has endeavored to bring up in the knowledge of Christ, and most of them are members of the Church.

During the years of their itinerant labors, sister Nation proved her self worthy of the relation she sustained to the work; and during the remaining years of her husband's afflictions, she was as an angel of comfort, ministering to his wants, cheering his spirit, guiding the family,

and sympathizing with him in his protracted sufferings.

Sister Nation's chief characteristics were gentleness, meekness, patience, sincerity, and steadiness of Christian purpose, which kept her ever in the path of life. She was a faithful wife, a fond and indulgent mother, an excellent and kind neighbor, ever ready especially to minister to the comfort of the afflicted, and a worthy member of the Church. When health permitted, she was ever at her place in the sanctuary, and no means of grace did she enjoy more, or attend more regularly, than the class-meeting. This was the last means she ever enjoyed. On Sabbath, August 2d, she attended class for the last time. Her experience was more definite and thrilling than it had been for months, and she was wondrously baptized by the Spirit. Through her affliction, which continued for only a few days, she was perfectly peaceful, and very clear in her assurance of acceptance of the Divine presence, and of a hope of immortality. In gentleness and patience she lived; in perfect peace she died; and now in glory lives, to be forever with the Lord.

W. FITZGERALD.

# Appointments.

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CINCINNATI: Wesley Chapel-Wm. I. Fee.

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Asbury—Jas. E. Gilbert.

Pearl-street—A. Bowers.

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Walnut Hills-A. B. Leonard.

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Pendleton and Columbia-J. Verity.

Madisonville-Silas Bennett.

Mt. Washington-M. Kauffman. Camp Dennison Circuit-C. H. Lawton.

Milford-T. J. Euans. Centenary-S. N. Marsh.

Loveland and Mainville-H. C. Middleton.

Lebanon-Wm. Runyan.

South Lebanon and Zoar-To be supplied by R. S. Hagerman.

Goshen-J. F. Loyd.

Morrow-To be supplied by B. F. Dimmick.

Waynesville-Charles Ferguson.

New Burlington-J. F. Hull. One to be supplied.

XENIA: First Church-M. A. Richards. Trinity-D. J. Starr.

Miami Circuit-C. H. Kalbfus. To be supplied by G. M. Hammel.

T. Lee, Superintendent of the Cincinnati Union Bethel.

R. S. Rust, Corresponding Secretary Freedman's Aid Society, and mem-ber of Trinity Quarterly Conference.

J. M. Walden, Assistant Agent Methodist Book Concern, and member of Madisonville Quarterly Conference.

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C. W. KETCHAM, P. E.

CINCINNATI: St. Paul—C. H. Payne. St. John-Thomas Collett. Christie-Jas. Murray. Finley-E. M'Hugh. York-street—A. N. Spahr. M'Lean-Wm. Young.

Fairmount—A. D. Raleigh. Cumminsville and West Union-Wm. N. Brodbeck.

Winton Place-R. K. Deem.

Hartwell and Carthage—To be supplied.

Lockland—S. B. Smith.

Port Union and Glendale-W. H. Black.

Cheviot-J. W. Sutherland.

Bethany-W. Q. Shannon. Hamilton-T. J. Harris.

Oxford-D. C. Vance.

Venice—J. Wilson, Delos R. Baker. Harrison—Francis S. Davis.

North Bend—J. C. Boltin. Eaton—J. F. Marlay.

Camden—J. S. Pumphrey.

Macedonia-To be supplied by H.

Johnson.

Seven-mile-To be supplied by B. F. January.

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Fair Haven and Sugar Valley-Wm. B. Jackson.

L. H. Bugbee, President of Cincinnati Wesleyan Female College, member of St. Paul Quarterly Conference.

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JOHN W. WEAKLEY, P. E.

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Grace Church— T. H. Pearne.
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Davisson—W. N. Williams.

TROY: Mulberry and Franklin-street— J. T. Bail.

Tippecanoe-C. F. Gowdy.

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Lewisburg-T. De Witt Peak.

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Miamisburg—M. Dustin. Franklin—S. A. Brewster.

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New Carlisle-J. G. Black. Middletown-F. M. Clemens.

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W. Herr, District Secretary of American Bible Society for Southern Ohio District, and member of Grace Church Quarterly Conference.

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J. W. CASSATT, P. E.

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m Wells.}$ 

High-street—W. L. Hypes.

URBANA: First Church-Wm. H. Sutherland.

Second Church-G. H. Dart.

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I hereby certify that John W. Sutherland, John T. Short, W. N. Brodbeck, Joseph C. Boltin, W. H. Smith W. F. Mappin, W. H. S. Ewell, Francis A. M'Cormack, Benjamin F. Dimmick, Abner N. Curt, Jacob Johnston, John W. Gaddis, John F. Rapp and Benjamin F January, were by me ordained deacons in the Methodist Episcopal Church, at Wilmington, Ohio, August 30, 1874.

I hereby certify that David D. Cheney, Willis M. Boyer, James S. Whitney, Edwin Burdsall. Benjamin F. Garland, Jacob S. Hopkins, Israel H. De Bruin' M. H. Cherry, and John N. Irvin, were by me ordained elders in the Methodist Episcopal Church, at Wilmington, Ohio, August 30, 1874. R. S. FOSTER.

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# Correspondence with Bishop Morris. .

# THE BISHOP'S LETTER.

SPRINGFIELD, OHIO, August 24, 1874.

To Rev. Bishop Foster and the Cincinnati Conference, in Conference assembled.

DEAR BRETHREN,—I wish to say a few things to you in regard to my health, and some other matters. The 28th of last April, I entered my eighty-first year. I have but little pain or sickness for one of my age. I sleep well. My digestion is excellent, and, apart from the infirmities incident to my time of life, I am very comfortable. I, however, take but little part in the active duties of life, and, having served my day and generation as God has given me ability, I am now resting in the quietude of my home. True, I am no longer able to go in and out before you, to sit in your councils, and take part in your deliberations, yet my heart and sympathy are with you; and for Zion's prosperity my tears shall fall and my prayers ascend until my release is signed, and I go to

join the Church triumphant in the skies.

As to my religious enjoyment, it is not increased by exemption from This, however, is what I expected; and labor, but rather the contrary. I find it requires more grace to suffer than to do the will of my Heavenly Father. But, although this is the case, I am by no means destitute of enjoyment. No, dear brethren; I find the religion I so long preached to others is able to bring peace and assurance to the heart in retirement as well as when in the heat of the battle, leading forth the conquering hosts to certain victory. Thank God for the Christian's hope! It comforts and sustains amid all the vicissitudes of life, and to the trusting heart makes bright the future. In reviewing the past, I have only this to say, that God has been very good to me. Most of my associates in the ministry, as well as many loved ones, have passed away. I yet linger on the shore, and soon expect to cross the river. I am nearing the Jordan, and in the course of nature can not stay here much longer; but beneath me are the everlasting arms, and, through riches of grace in Christ Jesus my Lord, I hope to safely anchor in the harbor of eternal rest. In all probability this is the last time I shall address you. Before another session of your Conference I may be safely home. Therefore, in conclusion, permit me to say, dear brethren, live for God; preach Christ and him crucified; seek not the applause of men, or the honor that cometh from the world: but so live that, in the great day of accounts, you can say, "Here am I, and the souls thou hast given me." Praying the Great Head of the Church to direct in all the deliberations of the present session of Conference, I am, dear brethren, Yours, fraternally, T. A. Morris.

# REPLY OF THE CONFERENCE.

WILMINGTON, August 28, 1874.

BISHOP T. A. MORRIS,—Reverend and Dear Brother: The undersigned have been appointed a Committee to respond to your letter of fraternal greetings addressed to the Cincinnati Conference, and read at the opening of the present session.

We assure you that your communication was received by your brethren of this body with sincere pleasure, and listened to with profound emotion.

We congratulate you that, in the good providence of God, your life has been spared so long to the Church and the world, and that now, at fourscore years of age, you enjoy so comfortable a state of health.

Our common and fervent supplication for you is, that God may still have you in his holy keeping; that he may continue to bless you with bodily health, and keep your soul in perfect peace.

We need hardly assure you of our high appreciation of your long and faithful services to the Church. In performing the various, and oftentimes difficult and responsible, duties assigned you, you have made a record of which the whole Church feels justly proud.

No man living, probably, whose life has been so active and public, has spoken or written fewer words which, dying, he could wish to blot.

Dear and venerated Father,—we do most earnestly commend you to God and the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.

Pray for us, that we, who have entered into your labors, may be worthy sons and successors in the Gospel.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you always!

Signed on behalf of the Cincinnati Conference.

JOHN F. WRIGHT, M. DUSTIN, E. H. FIELD, J. F. MARLAY.

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